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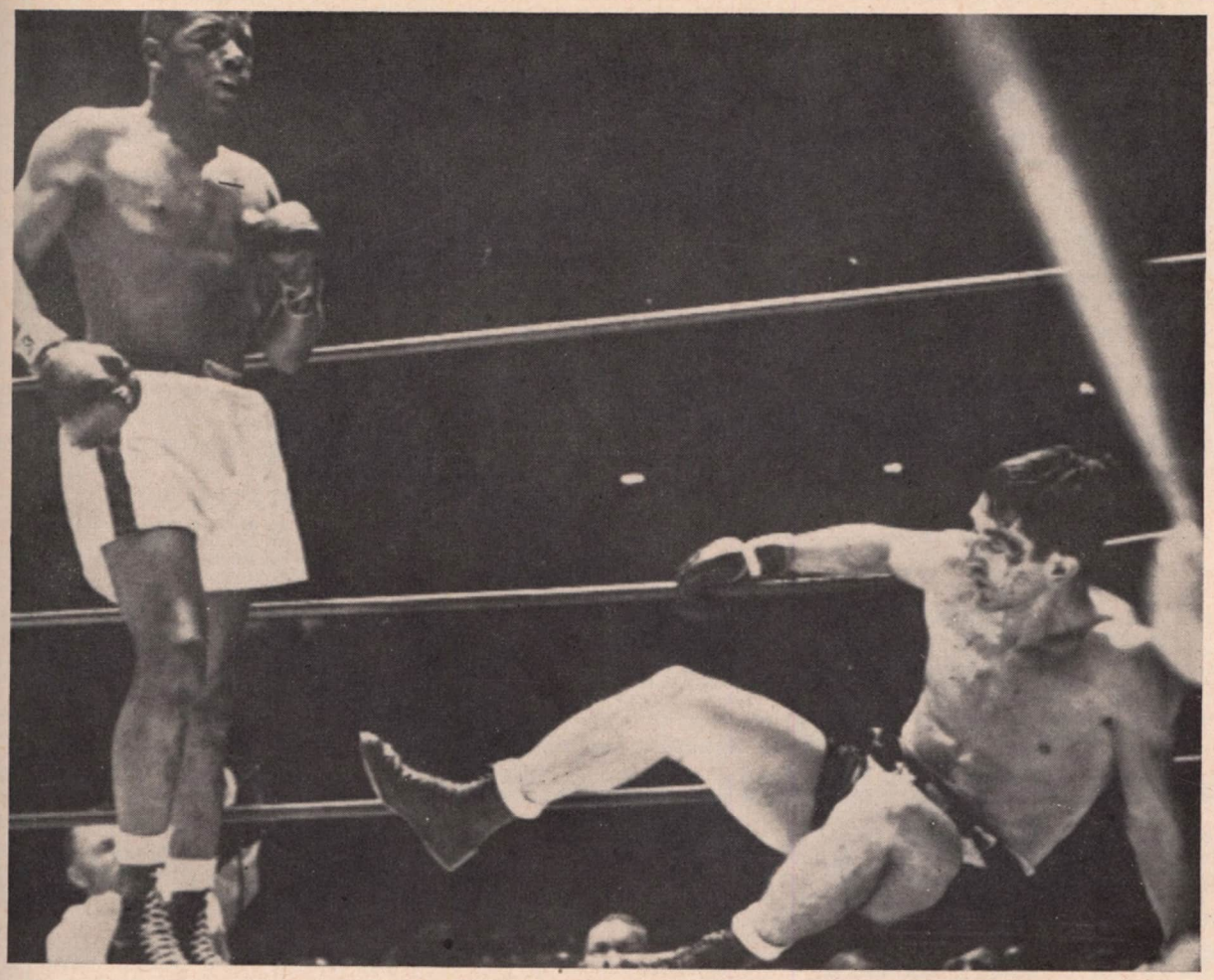

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ROBINSON'S PLANS HOOK UP WITH THE BASILIO ARAGON FITE

By DAN DANIEL

AFTER Ray Robinson had recovered the middleweight title from Carmen Basilio last March 25, at Chicago, it was believed that a third meeting between these accomplished and popular fighters would do much to stir interest in boxing for 1958.

However, the Summer boxing season has gone, and there still is no indication of what might be in Robinson's mind regarding his next appearance.

When Truman Gibson, boss of the IBC, asked Robinson about his plans, he said that they were tied in with the Basilio-Aragon fight.

Ray said that he would have a conference with Gibson as soon as the Basilio-Aragon and Patterson-Harris fights were out of the way, and the fistic decks were cleared.

Robinson could have had the September 5 date with Basilio, and it is conceivable that now he is sorry that he did not accept it.

Time was when matches concerned themselves only with boxing factors. Now there are Federal tax involvements, and certainly Robinson and his enterprises are in those right up to his eyes.

The Treasury Department has yet to make a decision regarding the $350,000 Robinson picked up for the second Basilio fight. A decision as to when and how the tax is to be taken out of the champion.

When the Robinson situation was put to Gibson, he said that his hands were tied until Ray made up his mind on the basis of Income Tax action and the state of the fistic market in Los Angeles and New York.

"It is not true that Robinson does not want to fight again. It may even be that he regrets that he did not sign for an outdoor fight in September," Gibson explained.

"I had a talk with Robinson on the inquiry of The Ring Magazine, and he said that he would see me after the Basilio-Aragon fight.

"Ray said he would watch the outcome in the ring, the outcome at the box office, the outcome in closed circuit television.

"So we have to sit back and see how things turn out, confident that the middleweight champion is eager to fight, and that before the year is out we will have something definite in that regard.

"Whether it be Robinson against Basilio again, or Ray and Aragon, Sugar's next fight is certain to be another big money event.

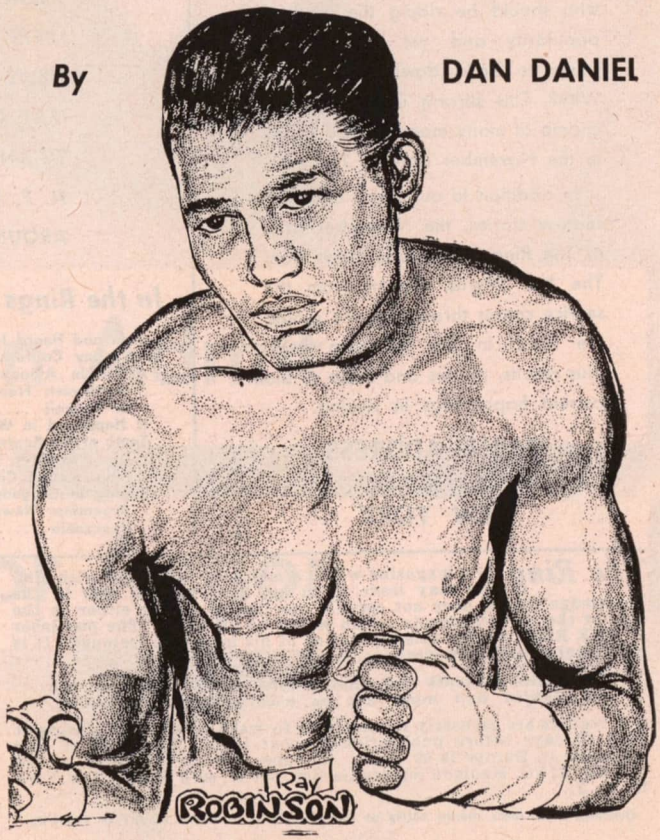
Robinson has had a yen to fight Aragon for some time. At one point, the match was about to go through. But with the first Basilio scrap in the offing, Robinson had to give up on the Aragon affair. And how he yammered. In fact, Sugar still is yammering.

While Robinson ponders his next move, there is keen interest in the welterweight situation, as well. Virgil Akins is open to defend his title against Basilio if Carmen wants to take another crack at the division in which he held the championship before he acquired the middleweight title by beating Robinson in their first encounter.

There is a growing feeling around the country that Akins merits greater respect than generally was accorded to him before he won the welter elimination tournament.

What with lightweight champion Joe Brown's fine position among the lightweights, boxing from 135 to 160 pounds is enjoying a tremendous revival of interest.

In fact, there is a big surge all the way up the line.



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Can Patterson Be a Popular Champion? Possessor of the world heavyweight crown, young, likeable and yet practically unknown to the ring fan, Patterson is an inigma, a man who should be riding the crest of popularity and yet is unnoticed when he walks down the avenue. Why? This stirring insight into the champ of many moods is told in full in the November issue of The Ring.

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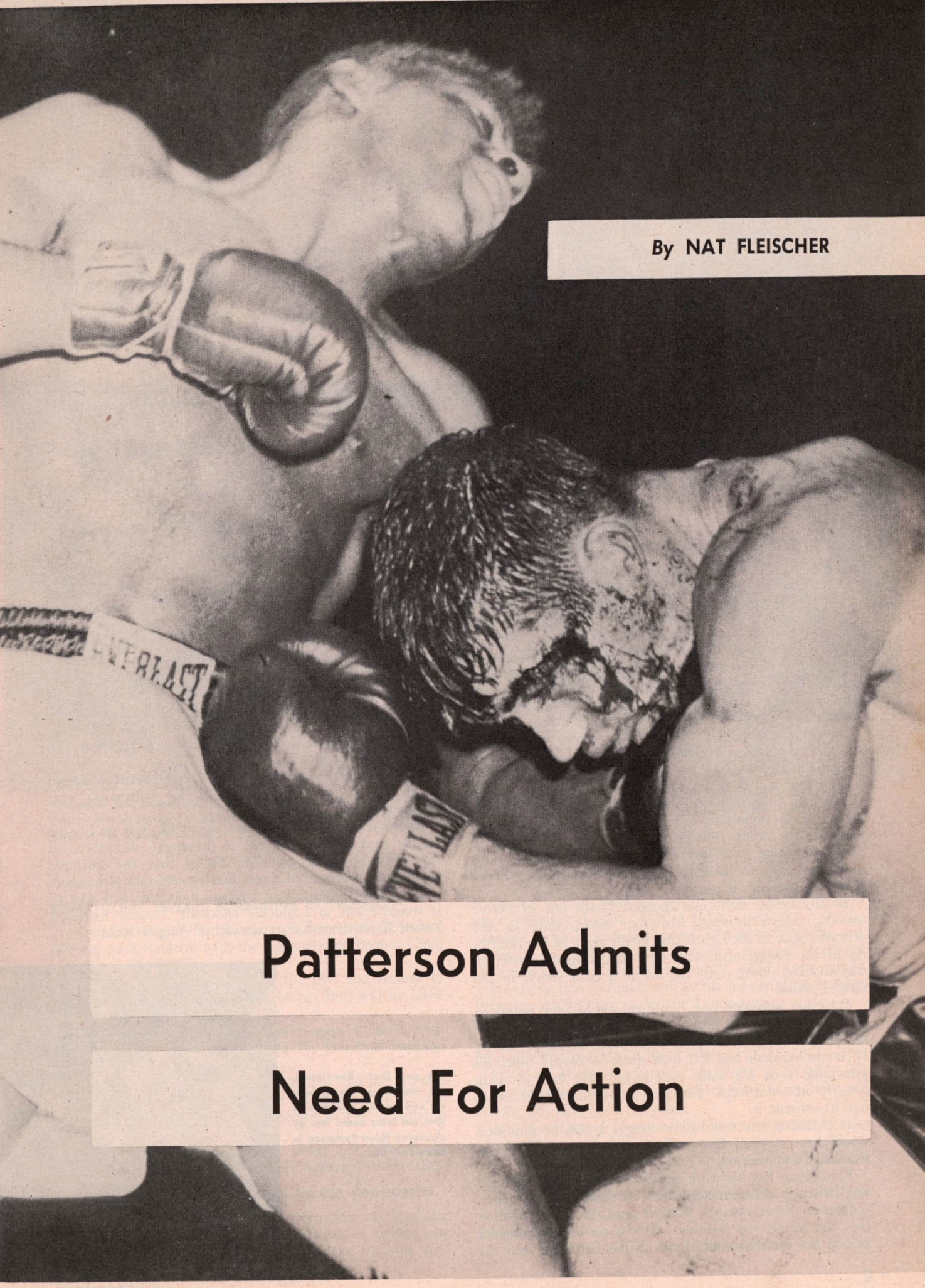
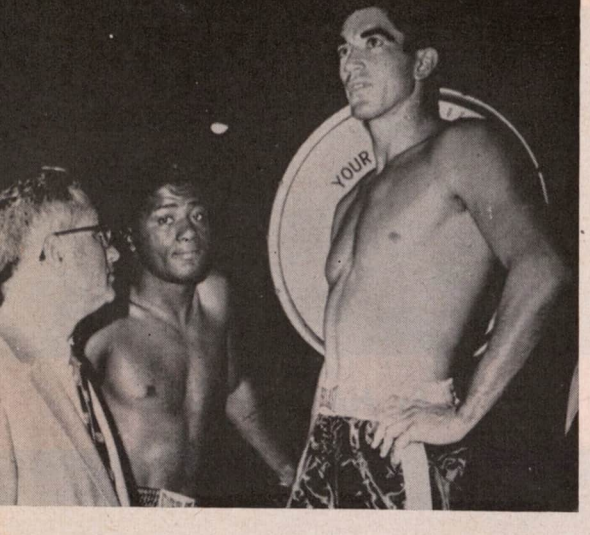


By NAT FLEISCHER

Patterson Admits Need For Action



Scaling Momentary Heights. Challenger Roy Harris towers over champion Floyd Patterson as he weighs in for heavyweight title bout. At 194, Harris had 9½ pounds on champ, but that's all.

D'Amato Also Saw Champion Stableworn As He Knocked Out Harris In 12 Rounds, And Promises More Frequent Outings

BY NAT FLEISCHER

WHEN game Roy Harris becomes a two fisted fighter, when he learns to punch with his right and defend himself, he may come back to Floyd Patterson and ask for a review of proceedings in the twelve rounds in which he faced the heavyweight champion of the world at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, on the night of August 18.

If Harris intends to continue his title pursuit, he has a lot of work before him. The mere fact that he already had been considered good enough to challenge for the title is not too vital a factor. Boxers, ball players and other professional athletes are being hot housed for the lush market, and Harris, with only 22 professional fights in his record, certainly was hot housed. But Roy has tremendous potentialities.

The cold fact is that Patterson outclassed Harris. The young man from Cut and Shoot, Tex. was not technically ready for so important a test against a champion who, while no Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey or Rocky Marciano for power punching, is a formidable fighter and, belieing his quiet looks, is not lacking in the killer instinct. Floyd stalks his prey like a panther.

In any event, Patterson knocked Harris out in twelve rounds. Floyd dropped Roy four times, once in the seventh, twice in the eighth, and finally again in the twelfth. As in the engagement with Pete Rademacher, Patterson was knocked down, with the aid of a hard shove, in the second round.

Patterson won with ease. And yet, he had not improved over his title winning showing against Archie Moore. The soft regimen the champion had been subjected to by D'Amato's crusade had left their mark on Floyd's form, his punching, even his early confidence. He had to whip himself into title form. Patterson admitted that, D'Amato had to concede it.

If Patterson had not had so long a layoff, he doubtless would have stopped Roy in five or six heats. This, too, was Floyd's impression.

Floyd, too, has his work cut out for him. His defense was strikingly deficient against so unschooled a contender.

Despite Roy's obvious shortcomings, it is my opinion that the match was justified. Maybe no other contender among the first ten could have carried Patterson into the twelfth round, though it was a one-sided match.

In any event, give Harris a year's careful handling, and you will see a far different fighter. He has the makings. He has the guts. He has the will to win, and the physique and the condition. Don't file Roy away in a dusty pigeon hole.

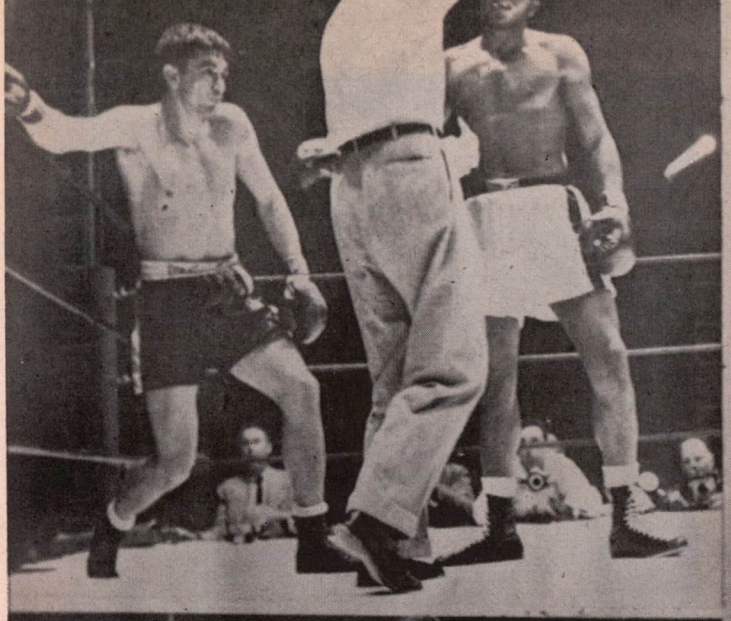
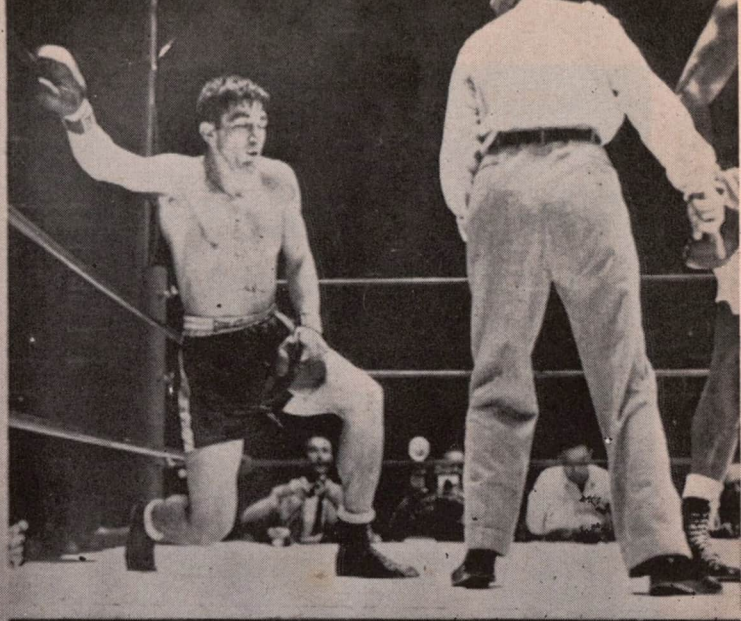
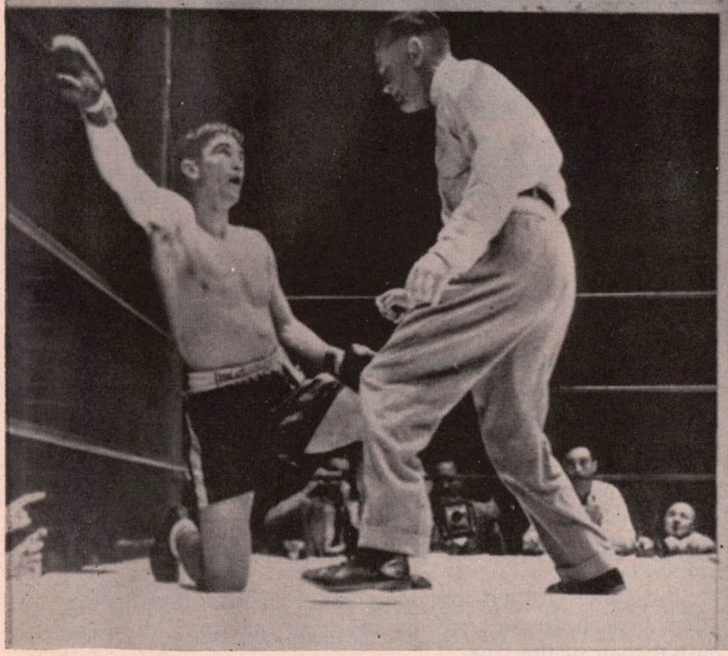
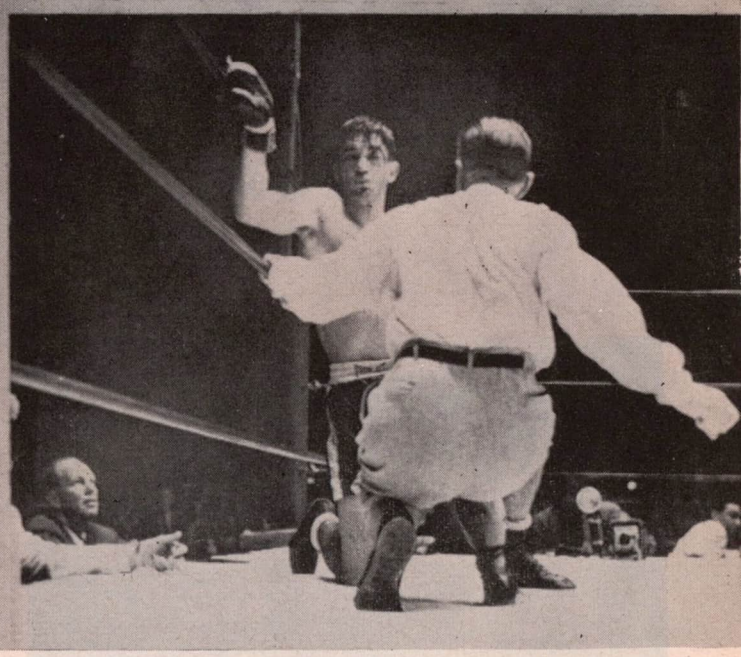
The fight ended with Harris sitting in his corner. He was finished. His face a bloody mess, his vitality was sapped by constant and unrelenting punishment, his legs were gone, and only his spirit was vibrant. Roy was in no position to continue. His seconds knew it, he knew it, and the Boxing Commission's doctor knew it more than did anybody else except Harris.

So, what goes on now? Where does D'Amato, manager of the world champion, look now for Patterson's next opponent?

Rademacher, whom D'Amato reportedly had on his list for the next engagement, was so thoroughly discredited in his quick knockout by Zora Folley that the Olympic champion's professional career may be regarded as finished.

There can be no talk of a return fight now with Harris. It would result in a quicker knockout, because Patterson looked stable worn for six rounds at Wrigley Field.

Cut and Shot. Roy Harris, the ambitious Texan, was cut and had his title dreams shot out from under him by champion Floyd Patterson in one-sided bout.

Remember The Alamo! Roy Harris, badly outclassed, was game but battered as the end neared. Sequence shows him going down, gasping for air, Referee Mushy Callahan counting for the fourth time over the challenger in the twelfth round. Handlers refused to allow Texan to continue in the thirteenth round.

D'AMATO HAS SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES IN PROSPECT

With Harris and Rademacher off his slate, D'Amato, carrying on a vendetta with the International Boxing Club, has several possibilities.

Cus could make his peace with the IBC and arrange to fight Folley or Eddie Machen, or both. But, will he make peace?

If D'Amato were to consider, once again, a match with Willie Pastrano, he would run into the fact that Pastrano was beaten by Harris.

Patterson's victory over Harris revived boxing interest, and gave the heavyweight division the impetus it so long had needed, but so long had been denied to it by D'Amato's crusade.

D'Amato has a splendid, face saving out. He could match Patterson with Folley without fighting for the IBC.

McMURTY, JOHANSSON AND EVEN VALDES CONSIDERED

Some time ago, conceivably to strengthen its legalistic position in the government's suit against it under anti monopoly legislation, the IBC announced that it had consented to rent Madison Square Garden to Emil Lence for a heavyweight fight. This at Lance's request.

Lence, who is friendly toward D'Amato, was the promoter of the fight in which Patterson stopped Hurricane Jackson at the Polo Grounds on July 29, 1957, in ten rounds.

It may be that D'Amato will satisfy his ego if he matches Patterson with Folley under the Lence aegis.

Then again, D'Amato could take Patterson abroad for easier ring pickings, and not so lush financial returns, as he might find available in the USA.

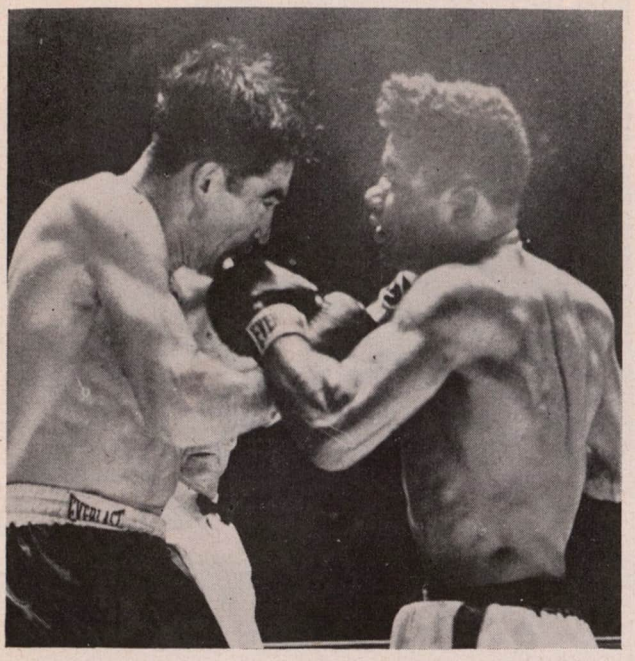
D'Amato might take on Pat McMurtry in Seattle. He might consider Nino Valdes, sixth ranking heavy, who not so long ago beat Mike De John.

And then there is Ingemar Johansson, of Sweden to fight whom Patterson would have to go abroad.

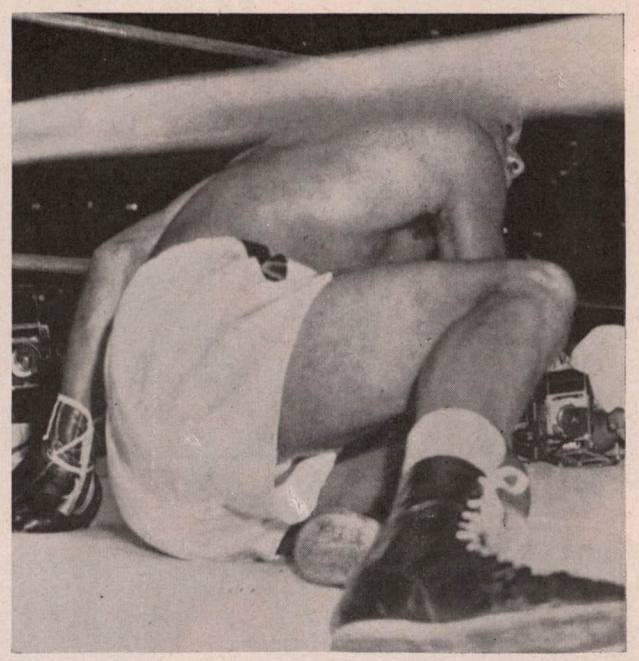
D'Amato virtually has hooked up with Colorado officials for a fight in Denver next June.

The big objective of boxing's well wishers is to have Patterson keep fighting, and not to put the championship back in deep freeze.

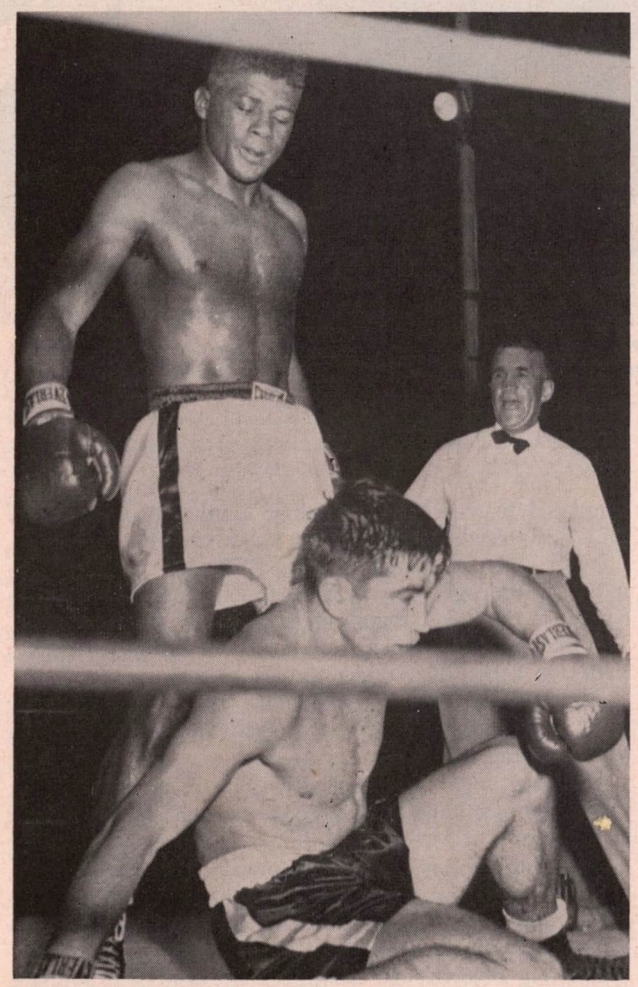
I had a talk with D'Amato after the Harris match, and



Roy Harris (left) tried but did not have the big guns necessary to take the crown. Here Champ Patterson smashes a left to jaw of Harris that sent challenger to the canvas in the eighth round.



A surprised champion, Floyd Patterson, was dropped for a three count by a left and a right in second round when things still looked promising for Roy Harris. But Patterson was never in trouble thereafter.



A hard right to the jaw followed by a left jab felled challenger Roy Harris for an eight count in the seventh round. By this time Harris had lost his zip, and it was only a question of time.

Cus admitted that he had kept his champion inactive too long. He promised a new line of attack.

Now let me get back to the possibility of a Fall fight in New York's Garden under Lence promotion.

In order to get the use of the Garden, Yankee Stadium or the Polo Grounds, Lence would have to produce a contract for a heavyweight title fight. There are other stipulations in that situation, and I am not too hopeful for a fight in New York.

But things are moving along, and I am sure that boxing fans henceforth will see Patterson in action a lot more often than in the past.

So much for the future. Now, for the past. What happened in that Los Angeles ring on the night of August 18?

When the fighters weighed in earlier in the day, Harris at 194, had nine and a half pounds on the challenger. Floyd tipped the beam at 184½.

Harris was a pound or two over the expected weight, while Patterson was something like three and a half pounds light. Roy also had considerable on the champion in reach.

There were some 15,000 persons at Wrigley Field, and around the country, thousands more were watching closed circuit television reproduction of the fight under the aegis of TelePrompTer, with theatres, drive-ins and arenas getting from $3.50 at Westbury, Long Island, to $10 at Conroe, Texas, near Harris's home.

The judges were Frank Vann and Tommy Hart and the referee was Mushy Callahan. The judges, of course, were called on to make no decision, and Callahan did a good job as the third man.

PATTERSON HITS DECK IN SECOND ROUND

The crowd at Wrigley Field, the thousands of TV viewers, perhaps got a poor lead on what to expect when, in the second round, Harris shot a left to the head and followed with a right uppercut. Roy also gave the champion a vigorous shove, with the result that the title holder hit the deck. He was not hurt and bounced up at four.

Fingers Crossed. Roy Harris' wife keeps her fingers crossed for luck as bout began at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles. At right is the challenger's mother, Mrs. Henry Harris.

Mrs. Sandra Patterson, wife of the champion, watched the bout on closed circuit television, at a theatre on Long Island. Here she gives him some long-distance rooting, with plenty to cheer as bout ended.

For many rounds, the TV narrator kept telling the viewers that it had not been recognized as an official knockdown.

When Joe Louis was invited to talk about the fight between rounds, he raised the issue of the utter legality of the knockdown, and soon it was announced to the viewers that the champion had been knocked down, in the official sense.

Before that round had ended, Patterson had hurt Harris with an uppercut.

The fight wore on, with Patterson cautious, wondering, looking for the big opening, and always bothered by the Harris left.

In the third round, something bad happened for Roy. A cut over his left eye bled, and his nose, too, was a carmine mess.

The fourth round saw another Harris handicap develop. Blood ran from a cut alongside his right eye. From then on, Bill Gore, Roy's trainer, was kept busy between rounds doing a repair job on his man's wounds.

In the fifth round, visible evidences of the beating Harris was getting were added to. A hook opened a cut high on the left side of the challenger's head.

SIXTH ROUND WARNS OF THINGS TO COME

In the sixth round, I saw what was going to happen. Harris was bleeding badly, he was tiring, he was being cuffed and hooked, jolted and cut, his legs were beginning to show the effects of the punishment.

A HOOK, CROSSED RIGHT, AND HARRIS GOES DOWN

But Harris never backed away. He rushed in, took three hard ones, and rushed back, with his left always pestering, even menacing the champion.

The seventh round saw Harris go down for the first time. Patterson hooked his left and crossed his right, and Roy went down. He took a count of eight, on one knee. When Harris rose, Patterson could not follow up his advantage. There was too little time.

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The Last Stand. Roy Harris was a badly beaten challenger as he gamely rose after taking a nine count in twelfth round. He finished the round but could not answer the bell for the thirteenth round.

IRISH, AND UNBEATEN

Manager Art Benjamin in the traditional pose with his fighter, Bobby Scanlon, who is undefeated as a professional and is quickly moving up the lightweight ladder.

By FRED EISENSTADT

That is enviable distinction of Bobby Scanlon, who aspires to lightweight title.

"UNDEFEATED as a pro." A magic statement in fistiana, the sort of magic that creates large purses. An unspoiled ring record tends to increase a boxer's glamor; and that, in turn, engenders curiosity; and the curious line up at the box office—all of which means more dollars. In this case, for lightweight Bobby Scanlon.

There are two prime procedures for compiling an unbroken string of victories. One is to match him with stiffs. The other is boxer possession of sufficient skill to outbox able scrappers or knock them cold.

It is the latter category to which Scanlon belongs. This youngster demonstrated his savoir-faire with fists in Madison Square Garden on July 18, 1956, by outclassing Gale Kerwin in a nationally televised 10-rounder. Kerwin, a hard-punching welterweight, had been fighting in great form. In 1957 he trounced Rocky Randell, halted Tony DiBiase, lost a hair-liner to Johnny Busso and trounced Jimmy Archer. This year Gale scored over Stefan Redl, lost a close one to Dave Dupas, and beat him in a return go.

An admittedly good ringster, Kerwin was reduced to a zephyr by the stylish Scanlon. He poked ramrod lefts into Kerwin's face, and hooked with sharp lefts, dropping him for an 8-count in the second round with a perfectly executed left hand that traveled less than six inches.

Giving away a few inches in height and six or eight pounds in weight, Scanlon boxed beautifully—making his rugged foe appear inept and making him miss badly. Gale's strength and weight advantage proved to be of little advantage to him, for Bobby refused to be pushed around or bullied. Instead the unbeaten lad shot snappy blows at his powerful rival, shaking him up and bewildering him with speed and clever maneuvers.

SCANLON HARD TO FIND BEATEN KERWIN WAILS

Scanlon who measures 5-foot-5 and tips the beam around 132 pounds, came through the battle unscratched. Kerwin—was messed up generally—and suffered a gash over the left eye. In his dressing room, after the contest, Gale was sport enough to credit Bobby with a decisive victory. "That Scanlon is as difficult to nail with a solid wallop as a fly on the wing," he wailed.

"This was my thirtieth victory in 31 pro fights," said Scanlon. "Back in 1954, Frankie Madison held me to a draw in my fifth pro fight. I beat him 5 months later."

The oldest of three brothers and three sisters, Robert Emmett Scanlon was born in Buffalo, N. Y., on Jan. 2, 1936. Some years later, when his father and mother separated, "mother placed all us kids in Father Baker's Orphange, in Lackawanna, N. Y. That is after she did all in her power to bring us up herself."

At the age of 15 he transferred to Randolph's Orphanage. "A really nice place," the boxer admitted. "But after six months I ran away. Went to live with Uncle John and Aunt Clara Scanlon, in Buffalo. They were very good to me. Reason I didn't return home instead: I had no desire to further burden my mother who was working hard to feed and clothe five kids. Besides, I had decided to go out on my own."

He got a job as messenger on the N. Y. Central Railroad. After six months he went to work as a laborer for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. "Though I was a High School graduate, I didn't mind hard work. Fact is, I enjoyed it—because it made me tough and strong—made me feel like a man and I appreciated what a buck meant," Bobby continued.

As can be determined by his photographs, Scanlon is a good looking lad. It is frequently pointed out that he's far too good-looking to be a fighter. "I dislike being referred to as handsome," remarked Bobby, smiling. "So becoming a fighter is gradually solving the problem—as a close look at my pan will disclose."

TRIES BOXING IN GYM COMES BACK FOR MORE

Shortly after he commenced working on the B & O Scanlon's friends dared him to spar a round or two in a local gymnasium. After doing so, he came back for more—which is how Scanlon got into boxing. Former boxer Joey Joynt taught the youth the finer point of the ring and soon he was competing in the amateurs, winning 15 of sixteen contests. "I copped the Golden Gloves bantamweight title, open".

Reaching 18, Bobby turned pro under the guidance of Mike Scanlon, no relation, boxing for him till June, 1957, when Art Benjamin bought Bobby's contract.

Big Ben—as Art is often called—was highly successful in maneuvering his new charge into a spot of nationwide recognition. In Scanlon's first fight under Benjamin's care, the boy kayoed Jack Parelli. Then he put the skids under former lightweight champ Wallace Bud Smith—stopping him in ten rounds. Next he decisioned another ex-lightweight title holder, Lauro Salas. A knockout over tough Luke Easter followed. Then he shellacked Bobby Rogers. A win over Kerwin came next.

Art Benjamin, who is business agent for the Sailors Union of the Pacific, admits having been a great admirer of boxing for many years and aching to manage a fighter. "But no ringster caught my fancy till I saw Scanlon in action. So I acquired his contract. The more I see his work in the ring," added the big fellow, "the more I'm convinced that I have a future champ in Bobby."

Scanlon lives with his manager in the latter's rented beach house in San Francisco. "I get up early when Bobby does roadwork on the beach—the brisk sea air is very beneficial—and watch him run," said Big Ben with a wink which his protege pretended not to observe.

DOESN'T LIKE TAKING IT FROM MEAN GUYS

"I'm very serious about my ring career," was Scanlon's deadpan and pointed rejoinder. "I don't consider being walloped as fun, nor do I find pleasure in punishing a rival—

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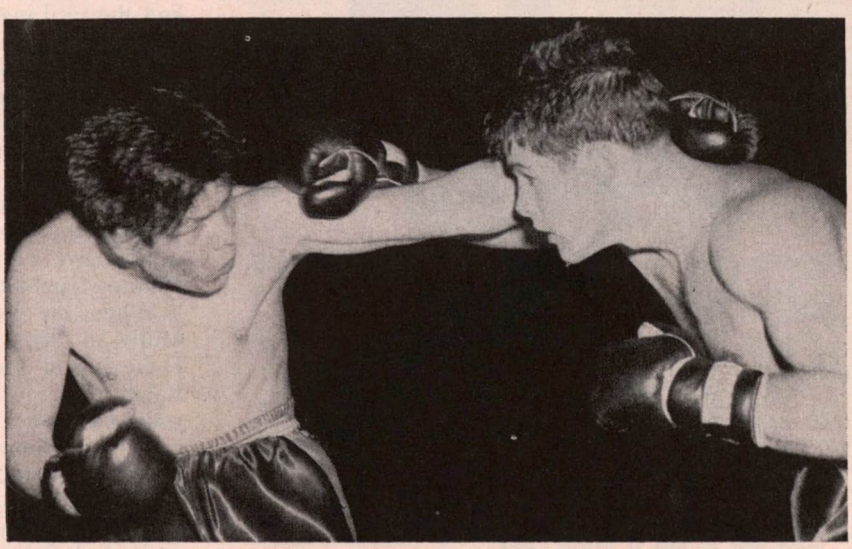
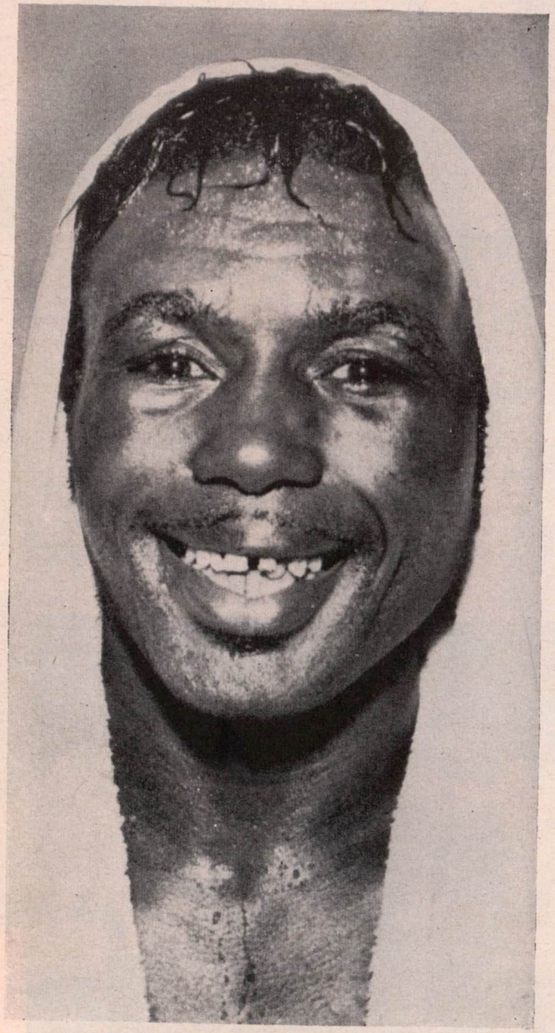


Bobby Scanlon (right) is a neat and natural boxer who shows class. Here he tangles with Lauro Salas, former world lightweight champion whom he defeated with ease.

Joe Brown and Kenny Lane were not too friendly as they shook hands during weigh-in (left) but decided to chin a little (center) during the title bout with Brown at this moment missing the point with a left. The unorthodox Lane tried to get the message through (right), getting a bit cheeky at this stage. But Brown quickly taught him manners.



Something To Smile About. World lightweight champion grins after retaining title in fifteen rounder with Kenny Lane which was very close. A rematch is in the making.

CLOSE

Lefthander Lane Earned Return Match In Tough Lightweight Title Fight in Houston

By NAT FLEISCHER

WHEN the lefthanded Kenny Lane faced lightweight champion Joey Brown in their title fight in Houston, few of the experts gave the Michigander a chance to last the fifteen rounds.

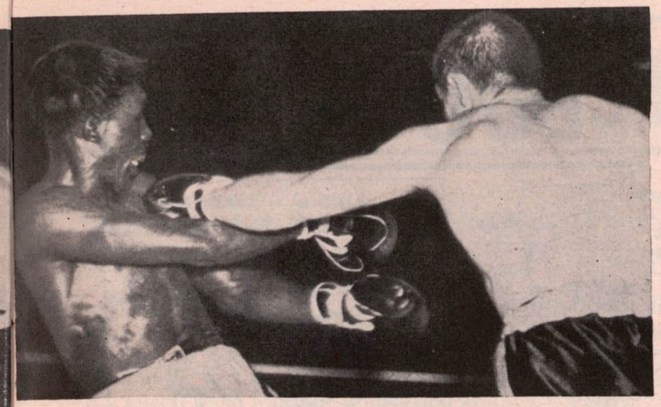
Kenny not only went the distance, but came close to dethroning the champion. So close was the battle, that immediate steps were taken by the International Boxing Club and the rival managers to discuss a place and the time for a return match, which Lane definitely earned.

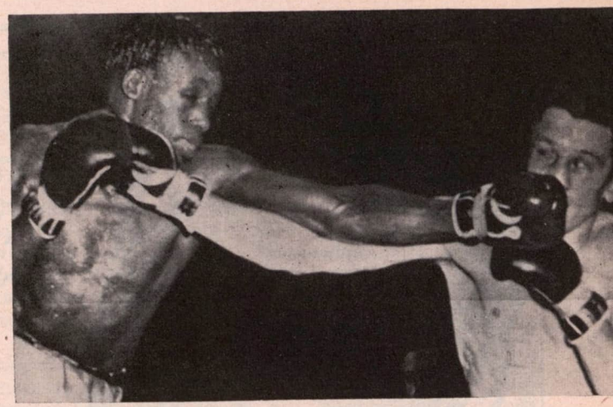
Though the decision was unanimous in favor of Brown, who since winning the title from Wallace Bud Smith has extended his unbeaten streak to eighteen and wrapped up his fifth successful title defense, it was chiefly his stirring two-fisted finish, in which he tossed blows from all angles, that clinched the laurels for him.

Had Lane won the last round, the chances are that he would have been crowned the new champion. It was Brown's toughest fight and he frankly admitted it.

When the World Championship Committee met recently in Paris, it named three acceptable challengers—Dulio Loi of Italy, the European title holder; Lane, and Ralph Dupas of New Orleans. The N.B.A. pressed the issue for Lane first, but compromised by granting its consent for Brown to make his choice with the stipulation that Lane would meet the winner. Brown knocked out Dupas and won from Lane and now he is considering the return bout with Lane and a match with Loi in England under Jack Solomons' promotion.

If the latter, it must be a non-title fight, Lou Viscusi





The above photos are strictly left-overs, challenger Kenny Lane bouncing a left off the jaw of Brown (left) and then later on Brown reciprocating with one of his own long lefts to elusive target Lane, a case of tit for tat but Brown was the heavier hitter.

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told the writer. "I'm willing to have the International Boxing Club stage a world title bout with Brown and Loi provided it is held in Houston. We will not consent to any defense of the lightweight crown outside this country," Lou insisted.

RECEIPTS RECORD SHATTERED; SELL-OUT CROWD VIEWS FIGHT

The Lane-Brown match broke all records for boxing in Houston, with more than 11,000 crowding the Colisuem and 10,994 paid admissions for a gross of $69,203.50 and a net of $61,020.33. Besides the percentage from the gate, $45,000 was added to the net from Television and for the return bout, the price might be upped to $60,000, according to Viscusi. The promoters can't miss on another sellout, so satisfactory were the performances of the contestants and so well received was the show on the national TV hookup.

Referee Ernie Taylor awarded Brown the decision by 143 to 142 points. Judge Bill Cornelius had it for Brown, 144 to 143, and Judge Jimmy Webb, scored it 145 to 141. A poll of seventeen writers showed Brown in the lead by thirteen to three with one, the United Press, calling it a draw.

My score card had Brown ahead in rounds, 8 to 6 with one even and on points, winning by 143 to 141.

It was an excellent fight, well handled, well judged and satisfactory from all points. Thousands were turned away, showing the need for a larger auditorium now that Texas has become boxing minded and enthusiasm is running high due largely to the presence of three national figures—Brown, Roy Harris and Paul Jorgenson.

Jorgenson pulled out a draw in his ten rounder with Joey Lopes after losing ground in the last three rounds following a lead he had obtained in the early rounds of the semi-windup.

FIGHT REDUCES STING OF RECENT INVESTIGATIONS

The fight in Texas was more than merely a contest for a world title. It was a fight which the promoters and public had hoped would take away some of the sting that recent investigations and indictments had brought to the sport and they were well pleased with the result.

Lane, 26 year old former farm boy, gave a rugged, relentless performance, ever on the go in an endeavor to gain his objective. That he didn't succeed, was due to the greater experience of his veteran opponent, a master technician who knows all the tricks of his trade and who, when the tide was turning against him, opened up and gave all he had both on the attack and in brainwork to keep his foe at bay sufficiently long enough to clinch the laurels.

That a boxer fighting to retain his throne against an aggressive challenger in the heart of Texas, his home territory, was given no more consideration than his young opponent in the mixed bout, gave the sport a lift it needed in these turbulent times. It brought credit to the Lone Star State as one where sportsmanship exists. There would have been no cry had they voted Lane the winner or given him a draw, but they didn't hesitate to call it as they saw it in close competition.

Working under a five inches reach deficit, Lane popped his right repeatedly with effectiveness following misses by the champion.

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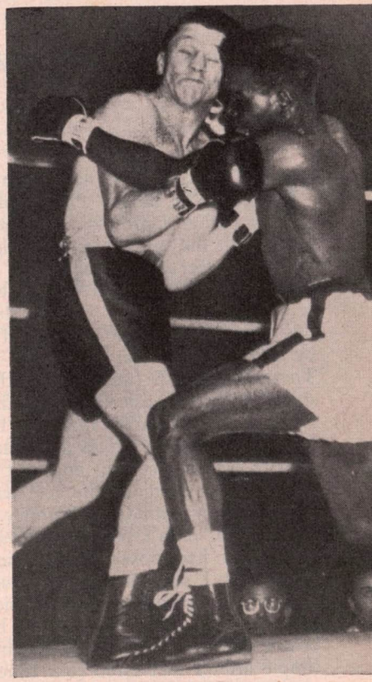

This fight was no waltz for either man. Above is one of few times when action was lacking.

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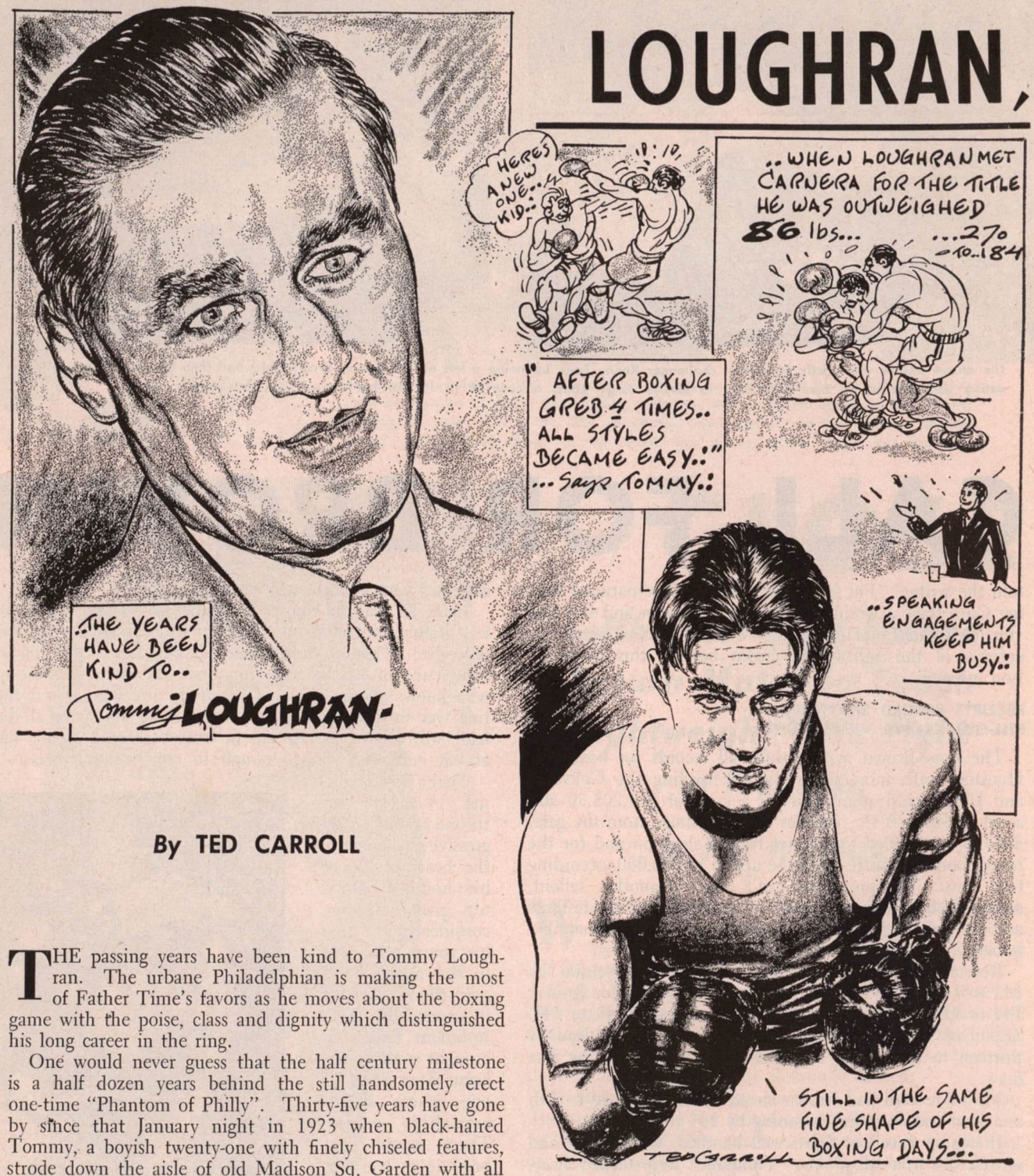

By TED CARROLL

THE passing years have been kind to Tommy Loughran. The urbane Philadelphian is making the most of Father Time's favors as he moves about the boxing game with the poise, class and dignity which distinguished his long career in the ring.

One would never guess that the half century milestone is a half dozen years behind the still handsomely erect one-time "Phantom of Philly". Thirty-five years have gone by since that January night in 1923 when black-haired Tommy, a boyish twenty-one with finely chiseled features, strode down the aisle of old Madison Sq. Garden with all the bearing of a parish altar boy, to engage the great Harry Greb in his first New York appearance. The crowd found it hard to believe that this apparent juvenile was a man who already had undergone the acid tests of two meetings with Greb and one with Gene Tunney.

Loughran didn't beat Greb that night. He laughingly admits, "I had boxed Greb twice before in no-decision bouts, but I soon found out that Harry was an entirely different proposition with a decision on the line. I never saw so many gloves in my life, but fighting Greb was a boxing education. He wasn't a puncher, but all styles were simple after I met Greb four times, and I took a decision over him later that same year in Boston."

Loughran's career, encompassing action in three classes, took in successive fistic eras. He served a stern apprenticeship facing the likes of Jeff Smith, Greb, Tunney, and Mike McTigue as a teen-age post World War I middleweight. Then he moved into the arena of his greatest success, the lightheavyweight class, in the mid-Twenties. In 1927, after a classic boxing contest with Jimmy Slattery, Tommy gained unanimous recognition as the 175 pound champion. He never lost this title, abandoning the cruiserweights to go after the heavyweight championship.

HE GAVE BOXING LESSONS TO MANY A HEAVY

Few of the heavyweights of the early Thirties escaped getting their boxing lessons from Professor Loughran. Max Baer, Paolino, Johnny Risko, Campolo, Ernie Schaaf, King Levinsky, Tuffy Griffiths, Steve Hamas—all found the Loughran left hand as difficult to solve as a problem in

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differential calculus.

Loughran probably got more mileage out of a left hand than any boxer in history. Tunney, a Loughran foe back in 1922, took due note of this long ago when he stated, "Lacking a punch, the strongest and best natural defense in boxing, Loughran did more with what he had than any fighter in my experience."

Loughran no doubt views this observation as a compliment of the "left handed" variety, since his punching power is a subject about which he is unusually sensitive. "I had a bad right hand all through my career," he explains. "That, and not any weak hitting on my part, was the real reason why I had to rely upon my left."

Amiably articulate as a rule, Loughran still retains some bitterness towards Jack Sharkey, whose two round knockout over him checkmated what appeared to be a definite drive towards top heavyweight recognition for the Philadelphian back in 1928.

"Sharkey was lucky," he still somewhat heatedly insists. "He wouldn't even consider giving me another chance after he won the title and I've never forgiven him for that. When we finally fought again in Philadelphia in 1933, I forgot all about my tender right hand, knocked him down, and gave him a first class licking."

In a career replete with uncannily skillful displays of the art of boxing, Loughran's ring finesse was never more pronounced than in his light heavy title defense against "Cinderella Man" James J. Braddock in a New York ball park on July 18, 1929. James J. was a hard punching contender in those days, and in the first minute he opened a wide cut above Loughran's eye.

That was the last solid punch the free hitting Jerseyman landed. This was the fight in which Loughran seemed to vanish from punches, and thus was born the nickname "The Phantom of Philly".

LEFTIES PRESENTED NO PROBLEMS TO LOUGHRAN

Unlike many orthodox stand-up boxers, southpaws presented no particular problem to Loughran, the towering Philadelphia left handed heavyweight, Jack Gross, was turned back by Tommy three times, when he looked like a genuine heavyweight threat. In one of his early fights, southpaw middleweight Johnny Wilson was easily handled by Tommy, as was Dave Maier, a hard hitting portsider out of Milwaukee.

As light heavyweight king, Loughran had a close shave with Mickey Walker out in Chicago on March 25, 1929, in a bout best remembered for some complex financial stipulations concocted by canny Jack Kearns, then managing Mickey. Walker was guaranteed $10,000 if he won the title, but was to get $50,000 if he lost. Little wonder that few took Doc Kearns' sqwawk over the decision favoring Loughran seriously, at payoff time.

Tommy was a wizard at reversing decisions in return bouts. Young Stribling seemed to have his number, but when the two met in Ebbets Field in Brooklyn, with a shot at the lightheavy crown at stake, Loughran won handily. Steve Hamas kayoed Tom on Jan. 15, 1932, but was thoroughly befuddled by the skillful "Phantom" five months later. Loughran caught up with Ernie Schaaf and King Levinsky after dropping decisions to both, giving them boxing lessons in encore matches.

No fighter ever looked more futile—or admitted it more theatrically—than Max Baer when he tangled with Tommy in the Garden on Feb. 6, 1931. After several rounds of trying to locate the wraithlike Loughran with his looping punches, the Californian stopped trying, turned to the crowd and extended his arms with a "What can you do?" expression on his face.

By an odd quirk of fate, Jack Dempsey provided a stepping stone for Loughran in Tommy's bid for public acceptance as an outstanding boxer. Dempsey had established training headquarters for the first Tunney fight at Atlantic City. Aware of Tunney's boxing skill Jack sent out a call for fast, clever sparmates to prepare him for the coming match.

Loughran was one who responded. The Loughran-Dempsey workout on that September day in 1926 made the refined Philadelphian famous, as pressmen in attendance flooded the wires with reports of the boxing lesson the young middleweight handed the onrushing champion. Jack became infuriated at his inability to nail the elusive Loughran and was made to appear ridiculous by his own temper and Loughran's finesse. This single training session not only gained Loughran a place as semi-finalist on the Tunney-Dempsey card in Philly in 1926, it brought about a sharp drop in the odds favoring Dempsey.

RATED ONE OF THE TOP GENTLEMEN OF RING

Loughran is of course, regarded as one of the all-time masters of scientific boxing, a position in keeping with his general appearance, demeanor, and all-round reputation as one of the most publicized "gentlemen" of the ring, in the best traditions of "Gentleman Jim" Corbett.

Tommy eventually did fight for the heavyweight title. This contest is celebrated mainly for the disparity in weights between Loughran and the champion, Primo Carnera. There was an eighty-six pound difference between the two! Carnera weighing 270 to Loughran's 184 pounds, made the most of his bulk in gaining the decision in Miami on March 1, 1934.

Loughran has shown a skill at evading the bonds of matrimony, even exceeding that for which he was famous in the ring. This, in the opinion of some cynics, probably accounts for his impressive condition today at fifty six. He has maintained bachelor quarters in the New York Athletic Club for many years.

At forty, with almost twenty years of ring warfare behind him, he was still physically acceptable to the U.S. Marines during World War II, serving as physical conditioner.

Loughran's high sense of values and his integrity are evidenced by his long and ideal relationship with his manager, the late Joe Smith of Philadelphia. Smith was the only manager Loughran ever had, and they never had a written contract between them. The late Bob Levy, one time manager of Battling Siki, another pilot of high principles, was also associated with Tommy throughout the greater part of his career.

WALL STREET JOB GIVES TOMMY TIME OFF

A Wall Street job gives Loughran plenty of leeway in pursuing his present avocation of sports commentator and lecturer throughout the country. As a living advertisement for his long-time profession, no one can top Loughran, and the value of boxing properly supervised, is a favored

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

WORLD RATINGS AS OF AUGUST 22

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
2—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
3—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
4—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
5—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Cal.
6—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
7—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
8—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
9—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
5—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
6—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
7—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Cal.
8—**GENE ARMSTRONG,** Elizabeth, N. J.
9—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
10—**YAMA BAHAMA,** Bimini, B.W.I.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
4—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
5—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
6—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
7—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
8—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Cal.
9—**AL NEVAREZ,** Mexico
10—**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Cal.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
2—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Cuba
3—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
4—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
5—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
6—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
7—**JOE BECERRA,** Mexico
8—**EUGENE LeCOZANNET,** France
9—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
10—**PETER KEENAN,** Scotland

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Cal.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
4—**ERIC SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
6—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
7—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, B.W.I.
8—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
9—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
10—**CLARENCE HINNANT,** Washington, D. C.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
VIRGIL AKINS, St. Louis, Mo.

1—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
2—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
3—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
4—**GARNET (Sugar) HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
7—**CHARLEY (Tombstone) SMITH,** Los Angeles, Cal.
8—**DON JORDAN,** Los Angeles, Cal.
9—**MICKEY CRAWFORD,** Saginaw, Mich.
10—**GERALD GRAY,** Jamaica, B.W.I.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

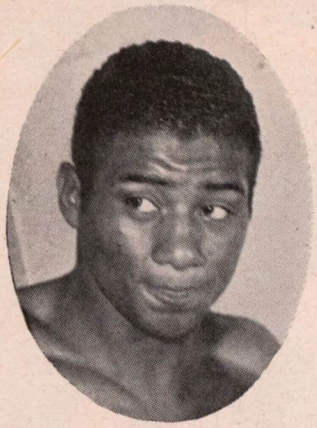
World Champion
HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, O.
2—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
5—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
6—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain
7—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
8—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
9—**HAROLD GOMES,** Providence, R. I.
10—**RICARDO MORENO,** Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
2—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
3—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
4—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
5—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
6—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
7—**CARLOS MIRANDA,** Argentina
8—**MARIO DeLEON,** Mexico
9—**ROBERT POLLAZON,** France
10—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan



FLOYD PATTERSON
Fighter of the Month

BOXING progress was noted during the past few weeks as a result of matches of international importance that were staged both in America and abroad. Although activity is still far from satisfactory, the trend is upward with top fighters in the various classes showing their wares and several championships holding the public eye.

The Brown vs Lane battle in Houston, Texas, started the ball rolling. It gave a lift to the lightweight class. Lane's fine performance enabled him to hold down second place and a bout between him and Duilio Loi of Italy, top contender, is now in order to obtain Brown's next opponent.

The victory of Floyd Patterson over Roy Harris in their world heavyweight title bout, that of Zora Folley over Pete Rademacher in a mismatch that put Peter back into the amateur class, Nino Valdes' defeat of Mike DeJohn and the 69 second knockout of Wayne Bethea by Charley (Sonny) Liston, brought about a number of changes in the heavyweight division.

Patterson is the Fighter of the Month and Gene Armstrong's upset over Calhoun makes him the fighter who made the most progress during the month. Folley broke his tie with Machen and is now the number one contender with Machen rated second.

Harold Carter has been removed from tenth spot to make way for Liston, now rated ninth. Archie Moore, ranked in both the light heavy and heavy class because all of his recent bouts have been with heavies, dropped from fourth to fifth due to his draw with Howard King, Valdes taking his place. Ingemar Johansson of Sweden has been upped from eighth to sixth and Alex Miteff of Argentina dropped from seventh to eighth with Roy Harris down from fifth to seventh and George Chuvalo down from ninth to tenth.

There were no changes in the light heavyweight section but the middleweight class sprung several changes caused by the clear cut win of Gene Armstrong over highly regarded Rory Calhoun. This win moved Armstrong back into the ratings in the eighth spot with Calhoun being dropped from sixth to ninth. Holly Mims and Joey Giambra moved up from seventh and eighth to sixth and seventh respectively. Yama Bahama dropped to tenth from ninth. Bobby Boyd fell from the select circle to make room for Armstrong. Spider Webb exchanged places with Charley Humez, fifth to fourth, as a result of his kayo over Frank Szuzina.

Gerald Gray of Kingston, Jamaica, winner over Charley (Tombstone) Smith, is a new face in the welter class, ranked tenth with former champion Kid Gavilan removed to make room for him. Smith dropped from sixth to seventh with Ralph Dupas upped from seventh to sixth.

Inactive Paolo Rosi went down from third to fourth in the lightweight class, with Dave Charnley of England exchanging posts with him. Inactivity also cost Willie Toweel, who fell from fifth to sixth with Johnny Busso up from sixth to fifth position.

Cherif Hamia lost one peg in the feather sector, down from fourth to fifth, with his countryman Gracieux Lamperti replacing him, up from the fifth spot. Manolo Garcia of Spain, an excellent fighter, gained one place, up from seventh to sixth due to two victories. Ike Chestnut exchanged posts with him.

Ricardo Gonzalez of Argentina, another good feather, went into eighth place from ninth and Harold Gomes of Providence, R. I., dropped to ninth from eighth position.

The bantam class finds inactive Raul (Raton) Macias of Mexico down in fifth from his recent fourth post, with Jose Lopez up from fifth to fourth. Piero Rollo of Italy, winner over Eugene LeCozannet of France traded places with his victim, Rollo to sixth and Eugene down to eighth.

Changes among the flyweights saw inactive Masaji (Lefty) Iwamoto of Japan falling from eighth to tenth and Mario DeLeon of Mexico and Robert Pollazon of France, each up one notch to eighth and ninth.

Here are the month's leading results:

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Bob Cleroux, Canada
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Clayton Thompson, Brooklyn, N. Y.
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Jose Torres, New York, N. Y.
WELTERWEIGHTS—Al (Duke) Malone, Mobile, Ala.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Billy Braggs, Milwaukee, Wisc.
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Ola Michael, Nigeria
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Herman Hicks, Panama
FLYWEIGHTS—David Morales, Brownsville, Texas

HEAVYWEIGHTS

World Champion Floyd Patterson retained his title by stopping Ry Harris, 12. Nino Valdes edged out Mike DeJohn, 10. Massino Bozzano continued unbeaten as a pro by stopping Emile Vidal, 6.

Ben Marshall stopped George Abinet, 5. Tom McNeeley kayoed Temple Jones, 3. Chubby Norris whipped Ernie Cab, 6. Monroe Ratliff bested Obie Rhodes, 6.

Zora Folley halted Pete Rademacher, 4.

Charley (Sonny) Liston kayoed Wayne Bethea, 1.

Archie Moore, was held to a surprise draw by Howard King, 10.

Pat McMurtry outscored Charlie Norkus, 10.

Mino Bozzano halted Emile Vidal, 6. Charlie Powell kayoed Sam Edwards, 6.

Massimo Zanaboni stopped Uber Bacilieri, 6. Cecil Gray defeated Bob Coutu, 10.

Art Norris stopped Dan Hodge, 4. Clarence Williams kayoed Herman Henry, 3. Johnny Freeman beat Otis Fuller, 6.

Tom McNeeley kayoed Bob Harris, 5. Charlie Forest defeated Nat Dixon, 6. Johnny Hayden won from Eddie Cato, 6.

LaMar Clark kayoed Joe Sullivan, 2. Curley Lee whipped Nopo Junior, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

World Champion Archie Moore was held to an upset draw by Howard King, 10 (non-title).

Jesse Bowdry stopped Bobby Lane, 8.

Roque Maravilla outpointed Donnie Fleeman, 10.

Luis Ignacio and Mauro Mina drew, 10.

Alex Buxton won over Rocco Mazzola, 10. Juan Pomare bested Leroy Green, 6. Giulio Rinaldi stopped Tino Albanese, 1.

Burke Emery defeated Johnny Roland, 10. Ronnie Washensky stopped Ducky Dietz, 5. Tommy Sims and Sonny Moore drew, 6.

Al Carter outfought Joey Gleason, 8, but lost to Johnny Johnson, 6, then was stopped by Johnson, 2.

Roger Rouse kayoed Candy Lee, 1.

British Champion Randy Turpin stopped Redvers Sangoe, 4. Giulio Rinaldi demolished Tino Albanese, 1. Joe Schmolze defeated Jim Hegerle, 10. George Kartalian stopped Moses Walker, 4.

Vicente Echeverria acquired the Spanish title by disposing of Bautista Navarro, 12. Kid Sixto Rodriguez stopped Puggy Jones, 5. Curley Lee kayoed Johnny Freeman, 2.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Ellsworth (Spider) Webb stopped Franz Szuzina, 7.

European champion Charley Humez stopped Tuzo Portuguez, 7.

Bobby Boyd halted Jimmy Morris, 4. Gene (Ace) Armstrong upset Rory Calhoun, 10.

Yama Bahama decisioned Joe Miceli, 10. Giancarlo Garbelli and Andre Drille drew, 10. Jimmy Martinez outscored Ramon Fuentes, 10. Vicente Echeverria won the Spanish title by stopping Bautista Navarro, 12.

Neal Rivers kayoed Tony Dupas, 2. Charley Joseph whipped Joe Shaw, 10.

Eduardo Lausse kayoed Ramon Perello, 2. Chico Vejar stopped Charlie Washington, 5. Guillermo Diaz halted Baby Linares, 6.

Andres Selpa kayoed Danny Machado, 8. Evelio Rios defeated Sugar Boy Nandy, 10. Dale Manz kayoed Dick Lane, 7.

Freddie Little kayoed Joey Gleason, 4. Jim Hegerle kayoed Jesse Gray, 9. Al Andrews defeated Joe Louis Adair, 8. Jackson Brown whipped Barry Allison, 10. JoJo Jordan won from Andy Mayfield, 10.

Joe Schmolze stopped Ray Welles, 7. Walter Irby whipped Benny Droll, 10. Frank Keating beat Freddie Wilson, 10. Young Beau Jack kayoed Gordie McDougall, 2.

Rory Calhoun kayoed George Mercer, 6. Eddie Dixon outslugged Bob Gordon, 10. Bill Stanley outscored Al Williams, 12. Paul Diaz stopped Claude Williams, 9. Hank Davis defeated James Jones, 6.

Johnny Wilson won from Al McCoy, 6. Jerry Hunnicut kayoed Sonny Pina, 1. Eddie Wright won over Leo Ownes, 6, but lost to Leroy Oliphant, 6. Ernie Gipson kayoed Don Edmunds, 2.

Allen Harmon defeated Jose Edwin, 10. Blair Richardson stopped Kenny Stokes, 2. Gene Washington outfought Frankie (Kid) Anslem, 6. Chuck Lincoln kayoed Elmer Carter, 3. Billy Tuck whipped James Roberts, 6. Sal Fuentes and Claude Williams drew, 8.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Gerald Grey upset Charlie (Tombstone) Smith, 10. Jorge Fernandez upset Martiniano Pereyra, 10.

Rudell Stitich kayoed Johnny Neal, 3.

Ismael Espana and Antonio Blanco drew, 10. Miguel Cornado beat Joe Hargrove, 10, and drew with Manuel Banuelos, 10.

Billy Todd retained his Australian title outpointing Darby Brown, 15. Cirilo Gil kayoed Francisco Ciucci, 8, and beat Aldalberto Ochoa, 10. Bill Flamio defeated Eddie Lynch, 10.

L. C. Morgan halted Augustin Rosales, 10. Stan Harrington kayoed Karl-Heinz Guder, 8. Arnoldo Gil kayoed Chilango Rosales, 9. Pica Pica Beezer won on a disqualification over Sammy Walker, 8.

Paolo Melis defeated Claude Lepleige, 10. Guy Sumlin stopped Herbie Rodriguez, 8. Tony DiBiase won from Jimmy Archer, 10.

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By AL BUCK

Delayed Action!

Many Young Prospects Start Out As Bombers, Fizzle And Thought Of As Duds, Then Sputter Into High Explosives.

HOW fast and how far? This is a question all young boxers must ask themselves. The road can be either short or long, and no one can be sure the goal is attainable.

Sonny Liston, 26-year-old heavyweight, is one who is on his way. He scored his 19th victory when he knocked out Wayne Bethea in a round recently. His one defeat came early in his career when he suffered a broken jaw while losing a four round decision to Marty Marshall.

The one defeat lengthened Liston's road by six months, but he has made up much lost ground although there is no guarantee he will eventually reach the world heavyweight throne. Any one flipping back the calendar has to realize the going is tough.

The year was 1916. Jack Dempsey, a skinny kid, rode the rods on what was his first eastern invasion. He arrived hungry, needing a fight in order to eat. This is the same Dempsey, who later became heavyweight champion, and who has been described as an "American Legend." His first New York opponent was Andre Anderson. His second Wild Burt Kenny.

In those years boxing in New York was restricted to 10-round no-decision bouts, but the newspapers generally agreed the 170 pound Westerner was the winner over Anderson and Wild Burt. As a result Dempsey got a third fight, with John Lester Johnson.

Johnson would be only an agate line in the record book today if he had not fought Dempsey. John Lester is remembered as the man who broke one of Dempsey's ribs. He did it in the second round, and although Jack lasted the distance, he was a discouraged young man at the final gong.

Physically unable to work at his trade, and still broke, Dempsey returned to the West. For the three fights he had collected a total of $159. In his next New York fight, four years later, Dempsey was paid $99,900 for knocking out Bill Brennan. He was champion then.

His luck didn't change over night. Back in Salt Lake City after the Johnson fight he suffered his only knock out. Fireman Jim Flynn, a veteran long past his prime, stopped him in a round. Dempsey picked himself up and headed for California. There he met Jack Kearns. There the success story started.

James J. Braddock is referred to as the "Cinderella Man." Actually he had two careers. As a young light-heavyweight he scored 12 knockouts in a row until he broke his right hand on the head of Joe Monte, a tough New England heavyweight. When Tuffy Griffiths, a sensation from out of the west, invaded the east, Jersey Jim stopped him in two rounds.

He failed badly attempting to win the world light-heavyweight title from Tommy Loughran. After that came a succession of bad breaks, until fighting Abe Feldman, Jimmy fractured his right hand again. The fight was ruled "no contest." It marked the end of Braddock's first career.

His second try was from necessity. Hit by the depression, Jersey Jim wound up on relief. When he could he worked on the docks. Eventually came the chance to fight Corn Griffin on the Max Baer-Primo Carnera card. He flattened Griffin. A year later he outpointed Baer to win the world heavyweight championship.

Training to fight Baer, Braddock sustained two cracked ribs. He kept the injury a secret, less the fight be called off, and he lose the purse. Few thought he could win, but it was a different Braddock who faced the clowning champion.

While favoring his right, due to the breaks, Jersey Jim had developed a left hand. He jabbed his way to victory over Baer in the Garden Bowl. On the second try James J. Braddock made it. He made it big.

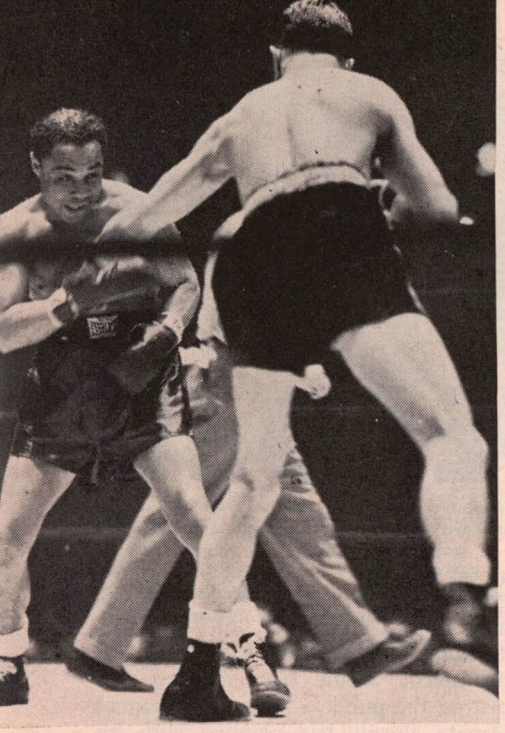
When Joe Louis was stopped by Max Schmeling it was only a temporary set back. Gene Tunney lost only one fight, to Harry Greb, during his career. None of these champions had the misfortunes that Dempsey and Braddock encountered.

Moore's fistic life has not been an easy one. Starting back in 1936, the world light-heavyweight champion fought for small purses. On the night before a fight in North Adams, Mass., Archie recalls he slept out under the stars. The weather was good, and he needed to save the room rent.

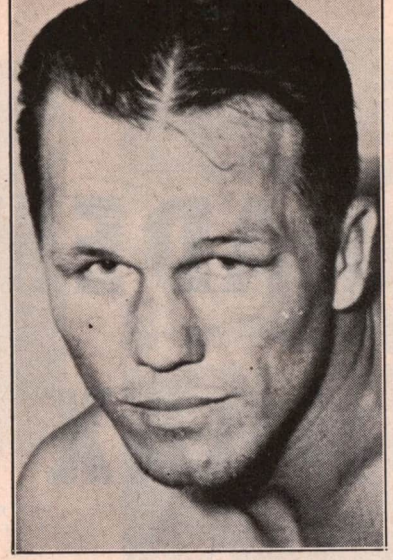
An operation sidelined Moore for almost a year, and he was a long time getting a chance with Joey Maxim. He has had to battle weight as well as contenders for the light-heavyweight throne. While he failed to win the heavyweight crown from Marciano he had the Brockton Blockbuster on the canvas.

Ancient Archie has known bad days and good ones, and he's still blazing the trail. Moore has fought all over the world—Australia, Europe, South America. There are few places Archie Moore hasn't been during 22 years in the ring.

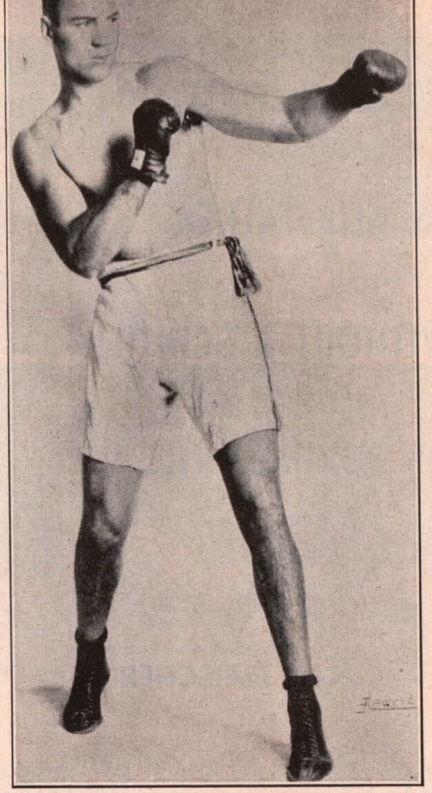
Carmen Basilio made it in two classes, winning both the welterweight and middleweigght titles, but like



Fritzie Zivic stabs a left into Henry Armstrong's face during their welterweight title bout in Madison Square Garden, in which the Pittsburgher scored a big upset by lifting the title from "Hammerin' Hank". Zivic had a lot of ups and downs in his career before hitting the jackpot.



"The Man of Steel", Tony Zale was a highly rated prospect when he came out of the amateurs and first turned pro, but Tony stumbled along and retired for a year, then staged a comeback that carried him to the world middleweight crown.



Jack Dempsey appeared headed for the top when he first turned pro, then two poor showings in New York and a knockout at the hands of "Fireman" Jim Flynn seemed to doom him. Jack then met up with Doc Kearns and together they led boxing to one of its greatest eras.

Jim Braddock drives his right to the head of Corn Griffin in the bout that started Jim on his way to the heavyweight crown. A bright star as a light heavyweight, he faded after failing to gain the title from Tommy Loughran and quit the ring until the need of ready cash brought him back and started him on his way to the title.

Moore his success came late in his career. He was just the local card when the Saturday night TV fights stopped off in Syracuse. This was the video package Ray Arcel had put together. The show moved from town to town, a different one every Saturday night.

Basilio started off knocking out Carmine Fiore. This after losing to Chuck Davey and Billy Graham in Chicago the previous year. Then he outpointed Graham in an upset to become New York State champion. A second fight with Graham ended in a draw, but Basilio was ready to step out.

He floored Kid Gavilan, but the Cuban got up to retain the welterweight title. This was an International Boxing Club promotion, but shortly after Carmen was back on the Saturday night wheel fighting a draw with Pierre Langlois. He beat Peter Muller before knocking out Tony DeMarco to become world welterweight champion.

Up to this point Basilio was just a Syracuse fighter. He proved his right to the title by knocking out Demarco again, the second time in Boston, Tony's home town. He lost the welterweight championship to Johnny Saxton in Chicago, a city where he has yet to score his first victory.

Back in Syracuse Basilio knocked out Saxton again. He did it a second time in Cleveland. Then he came to New York to win the middleweight title from Sugar Ray Robinson. He lost it back to Robinson in guess where—Chicago.

Fritzie Zivic was just a journeyman prize fighter until he caught up to Henry Armstrong. Henry's rushing style suited Zivic perfectly. He first won the welterweight title from Armstrong on a decision. In the return bout he knocked him out.

Zivic lost the crown almost as soon as he won it, to Freddie (Red) Cochrane in Newark. As an upset this ranks with Braddock's victory over Baer, but Fritzie went his way, fighting anybody and everybody.

There were five Zivic brothers, all fighters. Jack was supposed to be the best until Fritzie came along to win a title.

Tony Zale, the man of steel, had no easy road to the middleweight throne. As 1935 came to a close Tony was knocked out by Johnny Phegan and beaten by Dave Clark. The following year he quit and worked in the Gary Steel Mills. His only fight in 12 months, with Jack Moran, ended in a draw.

He was knocked out again, by Jimmy Clark, and beaten by Nate Bolden. He failed to win the middleweight title (NBA version) from Al Hostak, and he lost to Billy Soose.

About this time Zale put himself under the management of Sam Pian and Art Winch, the team that guided Barney Ross to the welterweight and middleweight titles. Winch, now chief inspector for the Illinois Commission, was one of the ablest trainers and instructors in boxing. Pian is an able manager. Under them Tony found himself.

He knocked out Hostak to take the NBA title, and then won world recognition by defeating Georgie Abrams in the Garden. He lost one over the weight to Billy Conn, and then came four years service in the Navy.

Zale's career reached a peak in three exciting battles with Rocky Graziano. It ended when he was knocked out by Marcel Cerdan.

Only recently Zale opened a restaurant in Chicago. He is also boxing

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FOLLEY EXPOSED PETE

AS GLIB TALKER

WITHOUT A SCINTILLA

OF BOXING SKILL

RADEMACHER HOAX ENDED

By

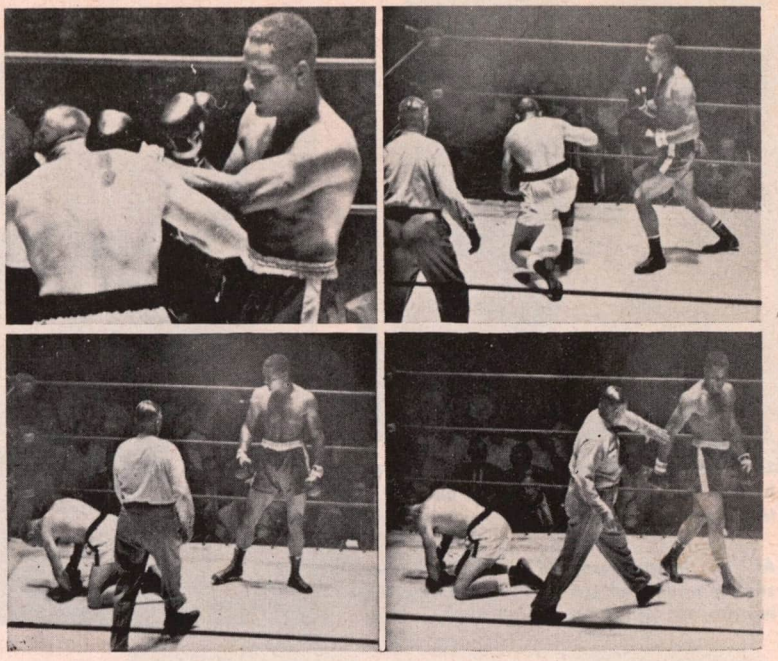
NAT FLEISCHER

AMERICA eagerly awaited the fight between Peter Rademacher, U. S. Olympic heavyweight champion, and Zora Folley, of Chandler, Arizona, one of the top contenders for the heavyweight title. A triumph for Pete, even a good performance, would have enabled Cus D'Amato, manager of Patterson, to foist on the public a return engagement between Floyd and Pete, which D'Amato already had planned with his friend Emil Lence of New York as promoter.

But now that the final verdict is in, we'll be spared that farcical promotion. Rademacher can't fight a lick.

With the aid of D'Amato and Mike Jennings, President of Youth Un-

The beginning of the end for Rademacher, Zora Folley sends a solid left hook to the jaw of Pete in the third round that saw Zora floor the ex Olympic titlist twice and set him up for the kayo in the following round. Rademacher who had floored Floyd Patterson and put up a good fight for three rounds, was completely outclassed by his former amateur foe.



(Above) Pete goes down for the first time in the fight after taking a short right to the jaw in the third round. (Right), The photos tell the story as a right to the head drops Pete for the fourth and final time in the fourth round. The referee reaches for Folley's hand to raise it in a token of victory.

limited Enterprises, Pete talked himself first into a fight for the world crown and then with a top contender. Now even Rademacher's most ardent supporters are aware that he has no standing as a professional.

His farce with Folley, halted in the fourth round, ended his brief professional career, we hope. He failed to display the elementary principles of Self Defense. Against Patterson he at least showed some fighting qualities but in his bout with Folley, only two punches of any consequence were delivered by Pete, in three and a third rounds.

The Olympic Auditorium bout in Los Angeles, exposed Pete for what he really is, and brought Patterson's manager to the realization that he has got to stop matching Floyd with any but ranked heavyweights, not set-ups, and hoaxes.

Both D'Amato and Patterson had Rademacher built up so high with glib talk, that Cal Eaton and George Parnassus of the Olympic Club guaranteed Pete $35,000 with $3000 for expenses. When Cus left the arena following the fiasco, his words of praise sank to the statement that Pete was not in as good condition for Folley as he was for Patterson.

"It wasn't the same Rademacher who fought my boy. He was much better against Floyd," said Cus.

Pete, asked to compare his opponents, built a Patterson-Folley fight sky high when he replied: *"If Folley were matched with Floyd on August 18, you'd see a far better fight than you will with Harris as Patterson's opponent."*

"That sent Parnassus after a Patterson-Folley match." George said:

"If Patterson wins from Harris, and I have no doubt he'll knock the Texan out, my offer for him to fight Folley stands. I'm prepared to put $25,000 in any bank as a guarantee for Floyd to fight Folley, in addition to what he can obtain from radio, TV rights and the movies."

Folley's manager, Bill Swift, added: *"D'Amato says he won't permit Patterson to fight my boy because Parnassus has an interest in him and because I am controlled by the Jim Norris organization.*

"I assure you that Folley and I are independent of anyone except my partner who has a ten percent interest in Zora. He's a newspaperman from our state, Al Fenn. No one in the International Boxing Club nor Parnassus has any agreement with us nor do they have any financial interest.

"Folley will fight for any promoter who can produce the champion. There are no strings attached to that offer. All we want is a chance for Folley to fight for the title—a bout he has rightfully earned by his performance tonight in which he not only knocked out Rademacher in two rounds less than it took the champ to do it, but didn't get knocked down as was Patterson.

"I appeal for fair play and sportsmanship. I appeal to the N.B.A., the New York Commission and the World Championship Commission to help me get that fight for Zora. D'Amato argues that anyone who has any connection with the I.B.C. will be considered for a Patterson fight.

"How come that he didn't ban Lou Viscusi and Roy Harris? Everyone in boxing knows that Viscusi has had his fighters appear often for the I.B.C. and he also promoted fights for the Norris organization. He runs the Texas Boxing Enterprises that has been staging TV contests for Truman Gibson."

D'Amato when pressed for a reply, said: *"Folley was offered a fight when I broke with the I.B.C. and he turned it down. Folley didn't want to fight Floyd last year when we were challenging him. He can't rush us now."*

That's a switch from Cus' usual tirade against Norris and the I.B.C. and indicates that D'Amato has somewhat changed his attitude and that if Floyd is successful against Harris, we may see a Patterson-Folley fight either in the fall or early next year. Cus' statement opens a path for negotiations.

How good a challenger Zora would be, we are in no position to predict on the basis of his fights with Eddie Machen and Pete. The first, which I thought he won easily and in which he got only a draw, was a poor exhibition and the last was "no contest".

Asked if he intended to hang up his gloves, Rademacher replied: *"Certainly not. I expect to be ready to fight again in six weeks."*

Fight whom, I wonder! Any promoter seeking his services should have his license revoked.

Pete said that Folley is a harder hitter than Patterson. The Olympic champion admitted that he has learned one thing—that experience means something in boxing.

"I thought when I got back from Melbourne that I had sufficient experience to cope with the best, but I have learned that it cannot be done so easily. Naturally my next match won't be a second fight with Patterson."

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Ingemar Johansson (left) and his younger brother Rolf, a good middleweight and one of Ingemar's best sparmates.

At right Ingemar tees off down the fairway starting a round of golf. It's one of his favorite hobbies and *"good for conditioning"*, says he.

A sport car enthusiast Ingemar owns an Austin Healy and the Thunderbird seen above. He's considered a top driver and could probably make the grade as a racer.

INGEMAR JOHANSSON

Pride of Sweden

By NAT LOUBET

SWEDEN is a peaceful little country which hasn't had much use for fighting, inside or out of the ring. A cultural land, but sport loving—it is quick to take to its heart any athletic hero.

Sweden has had her share of glory in her famous track and winter sport stars but in boxing she has had meagre talent with few exceptions.

With the entrance of Ingemar Johansson as an important figure in international boxing, the Swedes began to take more interest.

There have been brief moments of sunlight for boxing in the land of the smorgasbord.

The brightest was back in the 1920's when Harry Persson, a six feet two inches, 200 pounder attained some acclaim in Europe but fizzled when he made his bid for the big time in American rings. His 1926 campaign in the United States was touched off by decisions over tough Johnny Risko and Carl Carter in New York City and a four round boffo over Jack Adams in Philadelphia.

From here the trail led downward and a few weeks after his victory over Adams he lost on a foul to Bud Gorman and then in quick succession lost to Jack McCarthy and Jim Maloney for the finale. He then went back to Sweden where he avenged his New York meeting with Bud Gorman, by halting him in four sessions. It was here that the aspirations of Persson ended. Swedish fans saw the last of him in 1930 when he fought a Frenchman named Renault.

Even the home town boys will tell you that the contest should have been held at the Hague . . . it was that pacifistic an affair, no one but the fans were hurt.

Sweden had another entrant in the heavyweight ranks whose career reached its zenith in the late 20's, as Persson's dimmed. He was Otto Von Porat, a two hundred pounder with his weight distributed over a six feet four inches frame. A good puncher, he had the knack, like Persson, of building up to the important match and then blowing the fuse. Of Norwegian nationality he was born in Sweden and both countries claimed him for their own.

Like Persson he too invaded the U. S. and in 1926 was making Chicago hors d'ouvre conscious, he was at hot as the seasoning in Swedish cuisine. It wasn't until he lost to Paolino Uzcundun in New York that it was obvious he would probably never bring Sweden or Norway their first championship in boxing.

Otto remained an American favorite throughout his career and won more fights than he lost but always losing the important ones.

He practically adopted America but occasionally took the boat back to Europe and his homeland for a bout or two.

This continued up through the late part of 1933 when, after two successful matches with Tuffy Griffith and Hans Birkie, he journeyed to Brussels only to be knocked out in two rounds by Pierre Charles, thereby ending his pugilistic career.

The Persson-Renault fight was the last professional contest held in Sweden for thirteen years. It wasn't until 1943 that fighting on a professional level once again graced the Swedish palate.

Boxing came back and reached fever pitch in 1949 when 42,000 fans jammed Stockholm's Rasunda Stadium to see Jersey Joe Walcott knockout Sweden's Olle Tandberg in five rounds.

Tandberg, like his predecessors gave false hope to Swedish aspirations. As an amateur from 1937 through 1940 he annexed Swedish and European titles and in 1941 turned professional.

Olle met the better heavyweights in Europe and had a spotty record. He never could get over Walter Neusel and in two fights with Karel Sys, broke even. Beginning in 1946 he ran up a record of seven straight wins over men like Ken Shaw, Nils Anderson, Stef Olek and Jack London.

He started off the following year where he had left off the old, victorious. He won five in row that year and caused attention by defeating Joe Baksi and knocking out Aaron Wilson, two Americans who had figured to beat him.

In 1948 he had a dismal start by losing to Joey Maxim in New York and attempted to redeem himself by winning a ten round decision over a journeyman heavyweight, Walter Hafer, in Miami, Florida.

This brought him up to his last competing year and he began it with a twelve round win over Stef Olek, in a return match. Then came his big chance with Walcott.

With Tandberg's kayo by Walcott the latest hopes of a Swedish world title holder were finis.

In his brief appearances in America he had never been taken too seriously, he was too awkward, not good enough a boxer, nor hard enough a puncher.

He did, however, gain a measure of respect in his native land when he won the Swedish heavyweight crown from his fellow countryman Nils (Nisse) Anderson in Stockholm back in 1946. It was this achievement that gave rise to the false beliefs that the Swedes had a comer in Olle.

As in every country in addition to the fighters there is always "one man" who becomes the focal point—the drive to carry on boxing. In Sweden it was a round-faced newspaper man who has matriculated from being a newspaper correspondent in the U.S. to being a publisher in his homeland. His name is Edvin Ahlqvist, who has been for many years a promoter and manager of boxers.

It was back in 1943 when boxing first came back to Sweden that Ahlqvist started his one man campaign to bring boxing into its own in his country. He began to promote in Gothenburg, a city about three hundred miles from Stockholm. From there he moved to Stockholm and brought new life back into the sport.

Down through the years he has always been associated with the fight game.

Fighters have come and gone under his banner but only now does Ahlqvist have a boy worthy of the tag "promising" as referring to world title hopes.

Ingemar Johansson, the twenty-five year-old European heavyweight champion, is Ahlqvist's hope to bring Sweden its first world title.

Hope springs eternal in the breast of a fight manager and Edvin has been carefully laying plans for Ingemar since 1952 when he turned professional after coming in second in the Olympics at Helsinki. A cloud hung over Johansson as a result of his Olympic endeavors in which he was accused of being less than enthusiastic in his fight with the late Ed Saunders, a U.S. fighter who won the title.

His record since becoming a professional has convinced most experts that whatever shortcomings Ingemar possesses, lack of "heart" is not one of them.

In his seventh year as a professional, he gained recognition by being rated sixth among the heavyweights of the world. Observers point to his having achieved this distinction by wins over easier opposition than that faced by other leading heavyweights. These critics lay emphasis on the impor-

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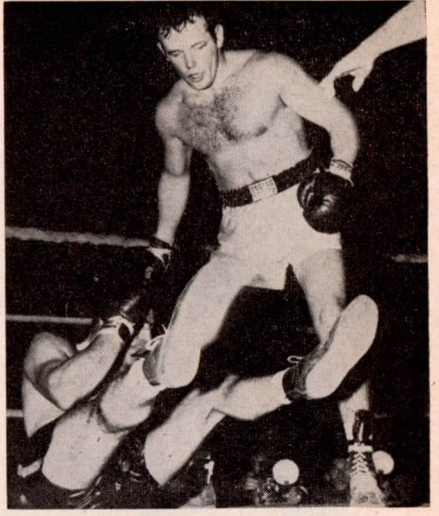
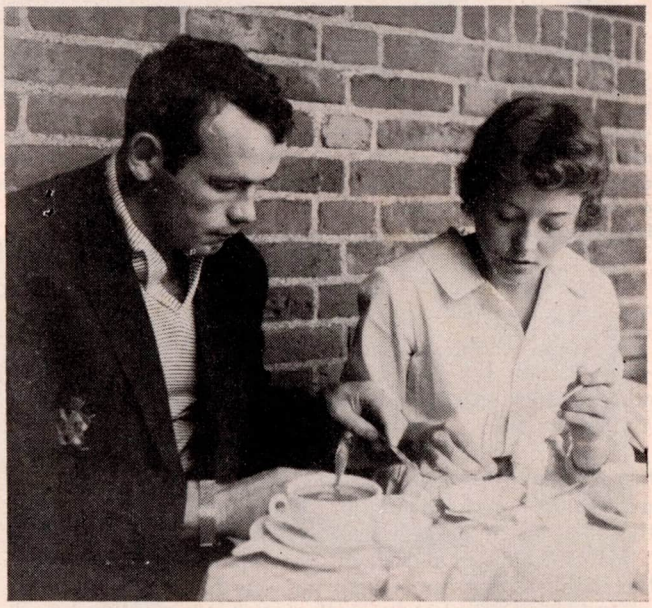
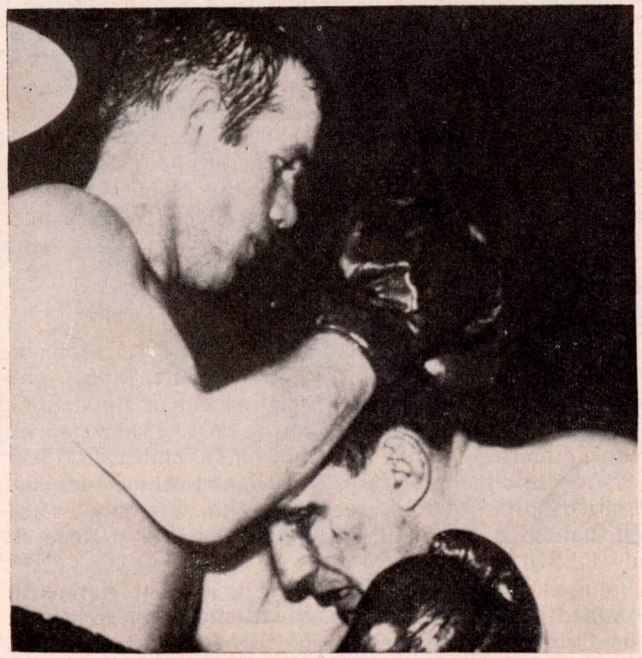


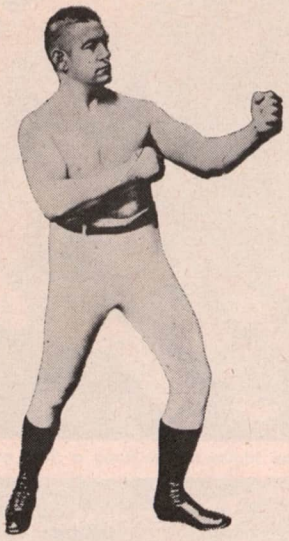
Johansson wins the European heavyweight championship from Franco Caricchi of Italy at Bologna, Italy. He's seen knocking out the champ in the thirteenth round.



Sweden's champ takes time off from his training chores for a vacation at Bistad, famous Swedish summer resort. The beautiful girl with him is his fiancee Birgit Lundgren.



Left, Johansson beating the daylights out of England's top heavyweight Joe Erskine. The Englishman was stopped in the thirteenth round of a scheduled fifteen round European title fight.

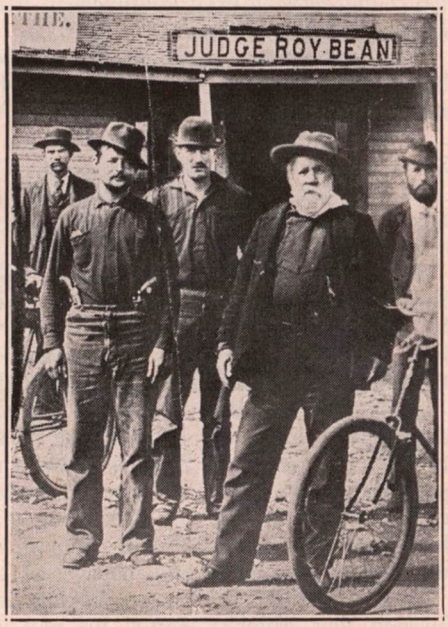


John L. Sullivan, who knocked Al Marx kicking with one punch in Galveston on April 10, 1884, receives earliest mention of organized boxing in the Lone Star State.

TEXAS

From John L. in Galveston in 1884 to Harris presents a really far cry.

By DAN DANIEL



Judge Roy Bean, the white-bearded gent, who promoted the Fitz-Maher fight. Planned for Langtry in the Judge's Jersey Lily saloon the law interfered and the match was fought in Mexican territory, a mile and a half from Langtry.

ROY HARRIS' fight with Floyd Patterson inevitably drew attention to Texas. A big state, a Golconda, a state of mind, rich in athletic achievement. But, oddly enough, no standout in the pugilistic annals of the United States.

Harris' rise invited research into the boxing history of his state, and while the results were rather meagre, they were none the less dramatic. Because, after all, anything that happens in Texas has to be that way.

Harris, from Cut and Shoot, some 40 miles from Houston, the state's boxing center, and not very far from Galveston, where Texas ring history really got its start, looked back at a state boxing history which presented two native champions. One was Jack Johnson, heavyweight king, the other Lew Jenkins, who held the lightweight title in 1940-1941.

Johnson was born in Galveston and was a dock roustabout when he went into a ring career.

Jenkins, was born Verlin Jenks, in Milburn, and generally was listed as coming from Sweetwater.

The Johnson story needs no retelling here. Jack was a great fighter, greater than generally is believed. It was regrettable that his personal history had to become involved with government prosecution under the Mann Act. But Jack was no worse than a great many, and better than a lot of others.

JOHNSON HAD TO WIN HEAVY TITLE TWICE

As we all know, Jack had to win the heavyweight championship twice. He took it from Tommy Burns, who had gained recognition after the retirement of Jim Jeffries, the unbeaten champion, in March 1905. Jack stopped Burns in fourteen rounds in Sydney on December 26, 1908.

Then came the great furor for Jeffries to come back and regain the title for the Caucasians. Jim was only a shell and Johnson knocked him out in the 15 rounds at Reno on July 4, 1910.

Johnson's loss of the title to Jess Willard at Havana in 26 rounds on April 5, 1915, had better be passed over here. There still is some question of the authenticity of the Johnson defeat.

As for Jenkins, a bizarre, rough and tumble character, there was a lot of typical Texas stuff about Lew. He rose in a spectacular way and won the title in dramatic style. On May 10, 1940, Jenkins knocked out Lou Ambers in three rounds and became the lightweight king.

On December 19, 1941, also in New York's Garden, Jenkins lost the championship to Sammy Angott in a fifteen round fight.

And there, in a nutshell, you have the story of Texas as a breeder of ring champions, the story which Harris found before him when, with 22 straight victories to his credit, he fared forth against Patterson in Los Angeles.

TEXAS TOOK LONG TIME TO START BOXING

The history of Texas as the milieu of gun fighters has achieved its apogee in the current run of Westerns on television.

But, for a state simply loaded with fighting men, Texas took a long time to become interested in disciplined fighting, the game of the prize ring.

The earliest mention of organized fisticuffs in Texas involves the great John L. Sullivan with one Al Marx in Galveston on April 10, 1884.

Who was this man Marx? Ring history fails to give him even a passing, perfunctory bow. Sullivan stopped in Galveston on his way from San Francisco to Hot Springs, Ark., and when the good citizens of Galveston bade him belt Mr. Marx, the Boston Strong Boy obliged. For a fee.

They climbed into the ring, Sullivan patted Marx on the back patronizingly, perhaps without pity, the bell rang, and John L. stretched Marx all over the canvas with little more than one punch. Thus was born the major history of boxing in the sovereign state of Texas.

The years rolled along with Texas dash, and eventually the calendar showed that it was 1891. Now Texas got into the sports pages as the training locale of Nonpareil Jack Dempsey for his fight with Bob Fitzsimmons, who still was six years away from acquisition of the heavyweight title by knockout over Jim Corbett.

Dempsey trained in Galveston and then polished up in New Orleans, where on January 14, he was knocked out in fourteen rounds.

DALLAS PUT UP $41,000 BUT LAW SAID "NO!"

Texas was growing. It was getting rich. It also was getting big ideas. It still has them.

Came 1895, and Fitzsimmons was hollering for a shot at Corbett, who had whipped Sullivan for the title three years earlier.

Dallas announced that it would put up a purse of $41,000, with side bets of $10,000, for a fight between Corbett and Fitz.

The good church folks of Dallas hollered so loud they were heard in Austin, and the legislature passed a bill outlawing boxing. The sheriff in Dallas was ordered to see to it that the title fight left that area.

It was shifted to Hot Springs, where it once more ran into John Law. Not until March 17, 1897, did Jim and Bob meet, at Carson City, Nev., where Rudy Robert won in fourteen with the much advertised solar plexus punch.

However, we seem to be rushing ahead of our Texas story.

Irked by his match with Fitzsimmons having been chased from Dallas and Hot Springs, Corbett announced that he no longer could make a living in the ring, and was forced to retire to the stage.

Gentleman Jim then put on a strange rite. He made a gift of the heavyweight championship to Peter Maher, a sometimes aggressive but none too greatly distinguished ring artist.

What has all this got to do with Texas? Well, let us not be impatient.

Of course, Corbett had no right to present the title to Maher. Jim doubtless had no intention to stay retired. As we know, he did come back, and he sprang yet another emergence from retirement when he was knocked out by Jeffries and Father Time in the twenty third round at Coney Island in 1900.

Fight champions are not privileged to hand their titles over like a pair of Christmas suspenders.

However, Fitzsimmons chose to regard the presentation to Maher as on the level, and here is where Texas bounces into our story.

Fitz and Maher were matched by the good citizens of Langtry, Texas, where Judge Roy Bean was The Law West of the Pecos.

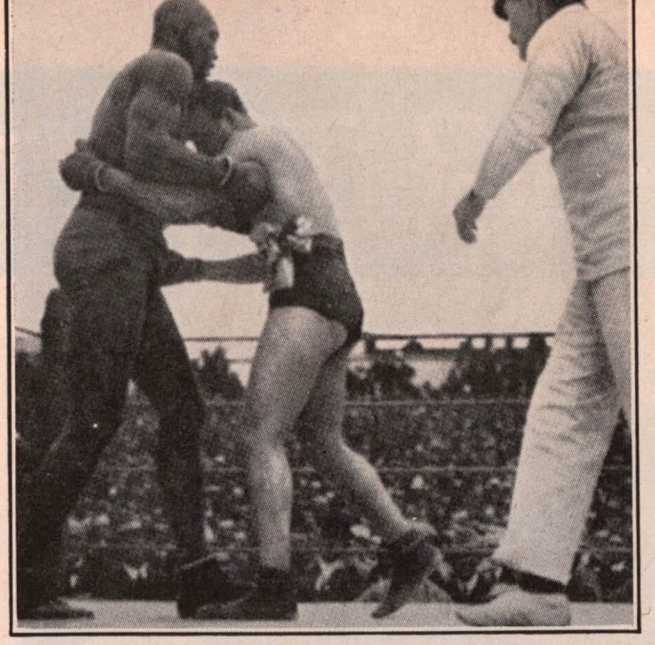
Boxing was illegal in Texas. So the fight was put on across the Rio Grande, in Mexico, only a mile and a half from the Langtry railroad station.

It was one of the strangest affairs in the history of the ring.

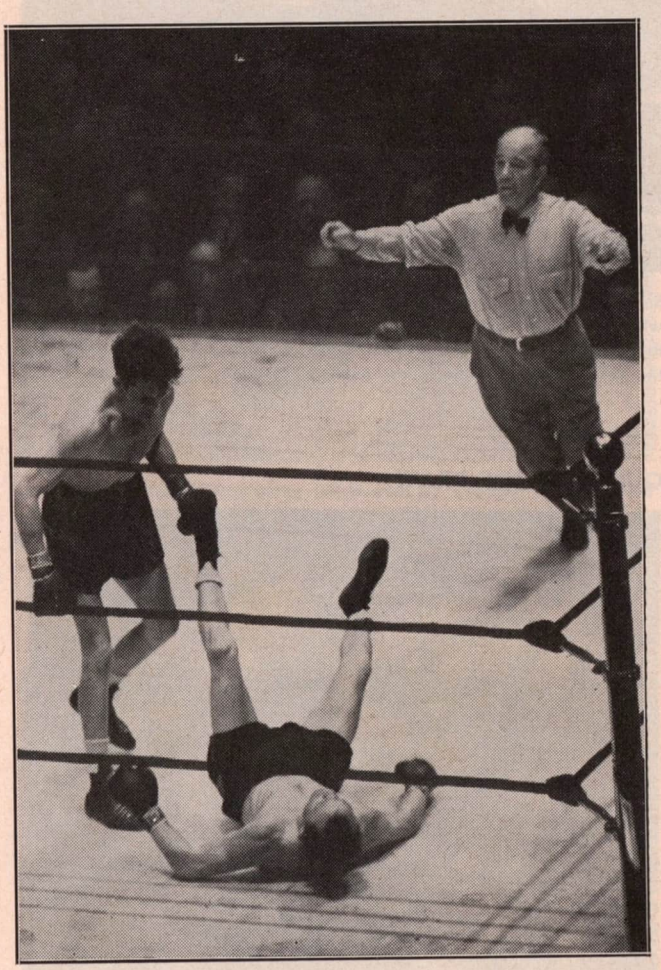
Fitzsimmons had stopped Maher in twelve heats in New Orleans in 1892, and there were some who figured that the Celt could do even better this time.

However, the Battle of Langtry lasted exactly 95 seconds. Fitz stopped Peter with something which the correspondent of the New York Herald called an "upper hook."

Only 182 "sports" paid $20 each to see the "fight"—and what hardships they had to endure!



Jack Johnson, first Texan to win a title, seen here defeating Tommy Burns for the heavyweight crown in Australia after the Texan had chased Burns all over Europe in vain attempt to get a fight.



Second Texan to garner a world title was Sweetwater's Lew Jenkins, seen here winning the lightweight crown by knocking out Lew Ambers in the third round. It was May 10, 1940, at New York's Madison Square Garden.

Judge Bean, who owned the Jersey Lily saloon in Langtry, had cooked up the match for his metropolis. One Dan Stuart was the promoter of record.

When, on the afternoon of February 21, 1896, some

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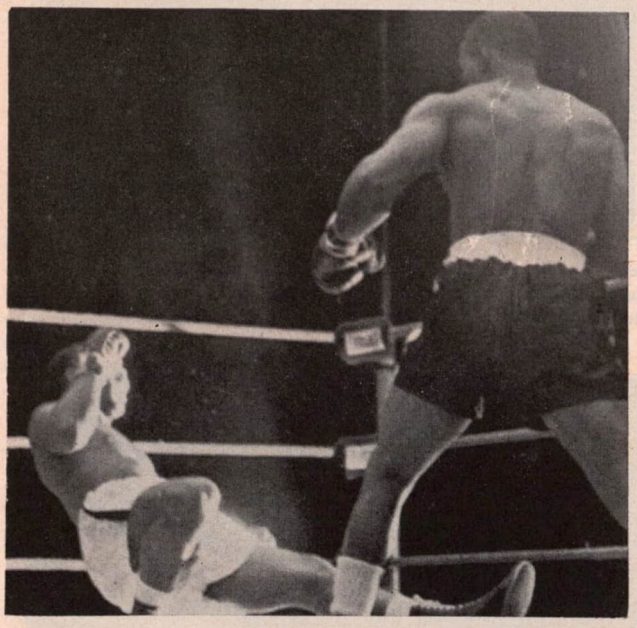
FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

GLAD TO SEE YA, BETHEA



Sonny Liston (right), St. Louis heavyweight, was happy to meet up with Wayne Bethea of New York, dropping him as he registered a first round knockout and advanced in the ratings. Bethea arose but the referee stopped the bout, held at Chicago Stadium.

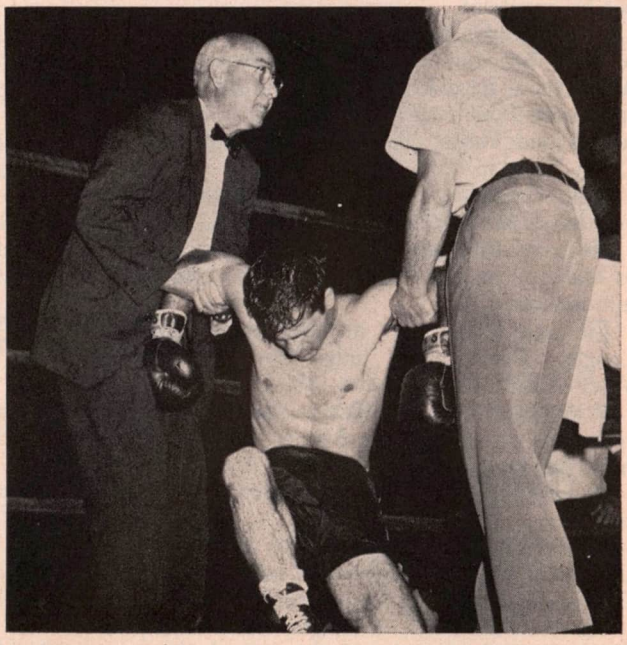
EYE-OPENING BOUT

Yama Bahama (left), British West Indies middleweight, opened a cut over the right eye of Joe Miceli midway in bout held at Syracuse, N. Y., and waltzed to a unanimous ten round decision. Bahama ranks among the ten leading middleweights in the world.

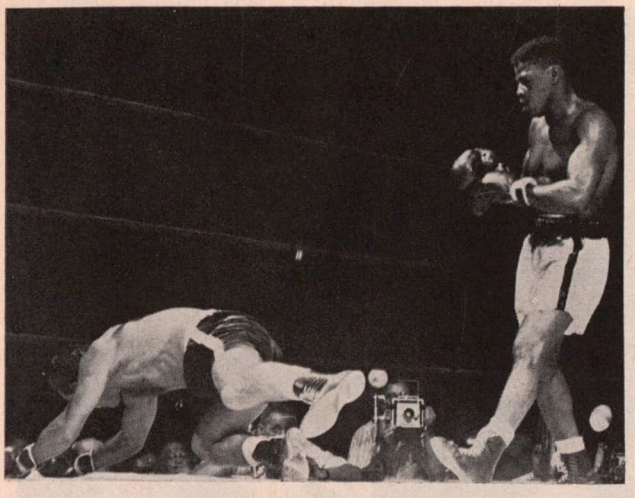
QUICK ON THE DRAW

Pudgy Archie Moore (right), world light heavyweight champion, loops a left to face of Howard King during ten rounder that wound up a draw at Reno, Nevada. It was the fifth time in two years that Moore failed to make King one of his one-hundred plus kayo victims.

COULDN'T WARD OFF BLOWS



Lightweight Steve Ward is dragged to corner by Dr. Benjamin Schiff and Referee Ray Miller after being knocked out in ninth round by Philadelphia's best prospect, Lenny Matthews, at St. Nicholas Arena. A left-right combination ended hectic bout suddenly.

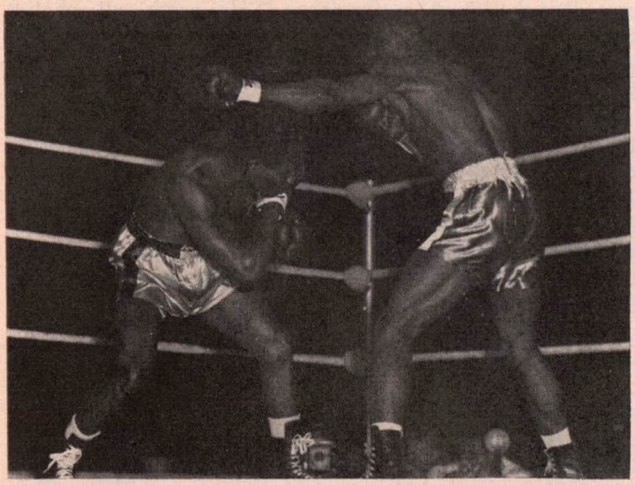


Spider Webb (right), Chicago middleweight, brakes to stop as Franz Szuzina of Germany slips and sprawls to canvas during sixth round of bout at Madison Square Garden. Referee stopped bout in next round as Webb rained a furious flurry of punches on his opponent.

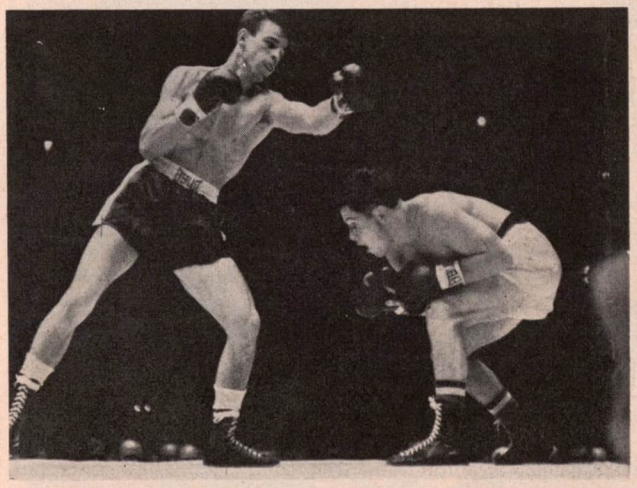
Bill Flamio goes flying through ropes during fifth round after some rough-housing with Eddie Lynch. The welterweight bout at St. Nicholas Arena threatened to get out of hand, with repeated verbal exchanges between Lynch and Referee Teddy Martin. Flamio won decision.

Alex Miteff (left) Argentine heavyweight, concentrated to midsection of Ruben Vargas and on four occasions drew warnings from the referee, being penalized in both sixth and eighth rounds. Miteff nevertheless won unanimous ten round decision over Vargas at Oakland, Calif.

Tony DiBiase (right) ducks under left thrown by bleeding Jimmy Archer and pounds with his right during welterweight ten rounder at St. Nicholas Arena. DiBiase won the Battle of the Boroughs with a unanimous decision. He is from Queens, Archer from the Bronx, New York City.



Hogan (Kid) Bassey (left), world featherweight champion, slips a left thrown by Jules Touan of French West Africa during ten round bout at Empress Hall, London, England. Bassey won decision and is currently in the U. S. to fight Willie Pep in non-title bout at Boston, Mass.



Bobby Scanlon (right), undefeated Buffalo, N. Y. lightweight, fighting out of San Francisco, eludes lunging left thrown by Gale Kerwin of New York during ten rounder at Madison Square Garden. Scanlon wrapped out unanimous decision and looks like a good prospect.

THE BIG BUILD-UP

Often Leads To A Terrific Let-Down; Boxing History Replete With Rademacher-Hodge Examples

By JOHNNY SALAK

Pete Rademacher appeared all set for a professional career when he posed for this photo. All that was needed was the chopping block, which turned out to be Rademacher himself, opposing Floyd Patterson and Zora Folley.

"*I realize now that experience must mean something in boxing.*"

The convincer, which placed these words in the mouth of Pete Rademacher, was a four round shellacking at the fists of Zora Folley in a bout that bordered on criminal assault and battery.

It was a professional, thoroughly versed in his profession though cautious to extremes at first, vs. an amateur who clearly showed that he lacked knowledge even in the basic fundamentals of the sport.

Rademacher, as a fighter, is an amateur. He acts and fights like one. Not the best amateur we have ever seen but the thought comes to mind that he must have had something at one time to win the Olympic heavyweight championship in 1956. Either that, or the simon pures of the world are a sorry lot.

More startling is that he was able to "sell" his backers, experienced promoters in the fight game and a certain percentage of the public on his ability to fight to some extent. None of that ability was apparent in the Folley fight.

The Olympic championship is a big item and properly exploited can, in dollar and cents value, mean much to a young man turning professional.

Rademacher reached the peak in that exploitation. Here was a young man who, while he did not gain a firm foothold in the history of boxing, did manage, by word of mouth, to plant himself as an indelible footnote in the pages of pugilism.

He talked himself into a world heavyweight championship match in his first fight for money, the first fighter to have achieved this distinction. From most eye witness accounts and off the record, he failed miserably in that precedent-shattering performance. He came out of the battle with little else than the knowledge that his name had found a permanent, though peculiar, place in boxing lore.

Rather than move to quick fistic oblivion or cash in on this history-making bout against some lesser lights, Rademacher was right in there battering away for a return shot at the champion. At this end of the game he excelled. A glib talker with an engaging personality, he found ready backers and quick supporters. And he almost made it, until the bout was cut and shot right out from under him by a young man from Cut and Shoot.

Such things do not deter men like Rademacher, not for long, at least. Offered a number of bouts with opponents of varying ability and questionable record, he disdained all and decided he was "right" for the No. 1 contender—or rather the man who shared the number one spot—Zora Folley. At a sizable guarantee, naturally. Something like $35,000 plus several thousands for expenses. When Pete went, he went big.

Unfortunately for Rademacher, the Folley bout was on television and literally millions of persons tuned in to watch

his inept performance. It is doubtful if he will ever be able to sell anyone on his services for fancy prices again.

The nationwide audience knew he couldn't fight a lick. *"I knew it, too,"* said Folley. *"We fought five years ago when we both were amateurs. Pete was pretty good then. But he hasn't improved in all that time. The way he moved, the way he tried to sucker me in showed it. You can pull that stuff on an amateur, but not on a pro."*

Rademacher is the perfect example of what can be accomplished with the proper publicity and build-up—all to an awful let-down. In most cases, amateurs with astounding records come bounding into the professional field to feed on a bag full of nondescripts and attain some stature as "successful professionals" before they dare ask for a title shot. It is at that delayed point that the Moment of Truth arrives.

Invariably, the Golden Boy has picked up some pointers along the easy trail and manages to last a while, until the pro gets into high gear.

At times, Golden Boy winds up as somewhat less than the real alloy, a stumble-bum breaking loose his shackles and planting one on a very tender spot—the person of said Golden Boy.

A REAL HODGE-PODGE

Right on the heels of the Rademacher debacle came a hodge-podge of a fight, involving the celebrated Dan Hodge, on whom the publicity mills have been working overtime.

Hodge, you will recall if you read your publicity releases religiously, is a former Olympic wrestling champion who was going to do a Berlenbach—that is, jump from Olympian wrestling heights to a professional boxing kingdom.

"Brought out" by Jack Dempsey, likened to Paul Berlenbach, bought the best of handlers, a fabulous quarter of a million dollar offer was made to Floyd Patterson to defend his crown against Hodge. Before the Kid's First Fight, America was attuned to the idea of awaiting the arrival of the New King. Having been seen on TV in the Inter-City Golden Gloves finals, where he was dropped before he went on to win, this was even mangled to prove his gameness and courage. He got up off the floor to win! No finer praise hath any man.

Well, now, Hodge followed the Berlenbach script pretty carefully for a while. After winning the Olympic wrestling title, Berlenbach turned boxer and won the National AAU heavyweight crown. On turning pro in 1923, Paul scored knockouts in his first ten bouts, that is, until they were foolish enough to put him in with a fighter, Jack Delaney. At which time Delaney burst the Berlenbach bubble with a four round kayo. The setback, in Paul's case, was only temporary.

Hodge didn't quite win the National AAU title. He settled for the Western and Inter-City Golden Gloves crowns. And on turning pro this year he, though credited with a one round knockout, got off on the wrong foot.

Advertised for his initial pro start in Scranton to fight one Don Jackson, a somewhat flabby fighter with a small mustache named Norm Jackson showed up, insisting he had been scheduled for the bout from the start. The stage was set for complications.

After flooring his opponent with a hard right to the body thirty seconds after the bout started, Jackson got up but was knocked down again for the full count by a left hook.

Referee Manny Gelb said he told Jackson to "get up or you won't get paid." After the bout Gelb informed Commissioner Jim Crowley that in his opinion Jackson was not hit hard enough after that to be knocked out, that the punches landed "mainly on his shoulders and back."

Crowley announced he was dissatisfied with Jackson's showing and was holding up his purse of $200 (which was more than Hodge's share) pending an investigation. Well, Jackson did receive his purse, Crowley later ruling that he was unable to put up a good showing because he was suffering from the effects of that hard right to the body in the first 30 seconds of action.

This sorry affair certainly did bring attention to Hodge's pro debut but not the kind that was looked for. Commissions throughout the country quickly were on guard. Hodge was next scheduled to fight a Drew Brown in Holyoke, Mass. a couple of weeks later but following on the heels of the Jackson fiasco, the Massachusetts Commission checked a little closer and on finding no previous record on Drew Brown, refused to okay the bout. As a result, the card was cancelled.

His next test could have been a good one. It proved nothing. Don Jasper is a Duluth, Minn. heavyweight who has been around a while and a better line could have been gotten on Hodge. Unfortunately, Jasper was miserably out of shape, Hodge dropping him three times before stopping him in the third round.

The build-up continued unabated. On the Sonny Liston-Wayne Bethea card in Chicago, viewed on TV, Liston conveniently stopped his man in the first round and, lo and behold, who walked into the nation's living rooms but Daring Dan Hodge to do battle with one Art Norris, who had lost in both his pro fights. In the second round Hodge spilled Norris to the deck for a count of three. A lot of guys already had just about everything but the date with Patterson arranged. In the next stanza, though, Norris started fighting. In the fourth he caught up with Hodge, dropping him for nine with a left hook.

When Hodge got up he started to walk to his corner, which was a pretty good idea. The referee, Truman Sturdicant, a former NCAA heavyweight champ, promptly took the hint and ended proceedings at 33 seconds of the round.

This is not to say that Rademacher and Hodge are through. Many fighters have gone on from early-career

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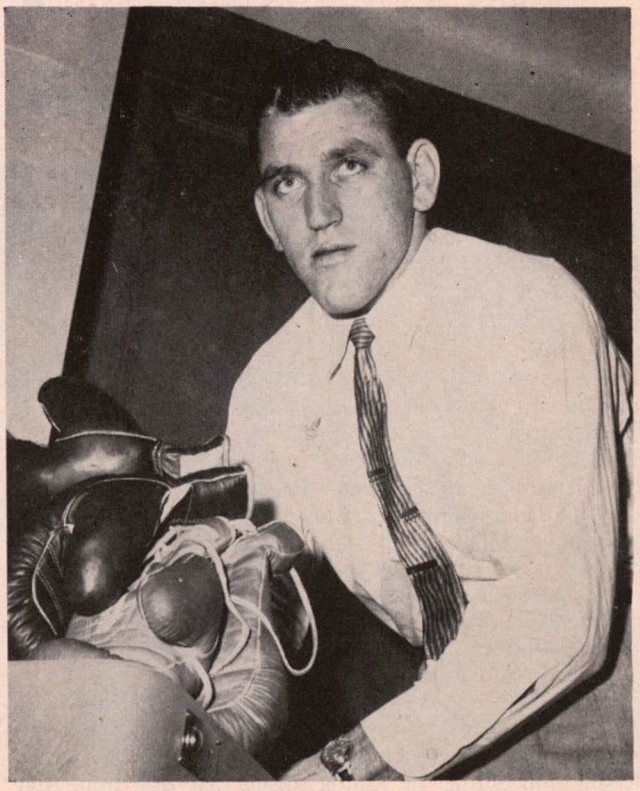

He's Got the Equipment? Dan Hodge, Wichita, Kan., heavyweight, Olympic wrestling champion turned fighter, had everything including gloves, according to the publicity releases but was stopped in his third pro bout, setting him back in his bid for recognition.

Yvon Durelle, rugged, hard-hitting Canadian light heavyweight, has come back from the brink of retirement to a place among the outstanding challengers for Archie Moore's title.

By LEW ESKIN

YVON DURELLE,

Fisherman, Fighter

SEAFARERS are a hardy lot. Their life is a constant and bitter struggle against the forces of nature. Fishermen who ply their trade in the North Atlantic are of the same cloth as their tough ancestors. One of these men who go down to the sea in ships is Yvon Durelle.

A native of Baie Ste. Anne, New Brunswick, Canada, where he was born on October 14, 1928, the seventh child in a family of ten, five boys and five girls, of Ernest and Olida Durelle. From the time he was ten, Yvon has been a seafarer, helping his dad during summer vacation from school until he was fourteen. He quit school to help support his family when his father was taken ill. There was little money to be made from the sea and Yvon turned to fighting when he was sixteen to earn extra cash.

He had his first professional fight at a smoker in the local church hall. He was paid eight dollars. The expenses came to thirteen, so that his first venture into the business world cost him five dollars.

Far from discouraged, Durelle continued to fight when and where he could and slowly moved ahead in both his careers. The long eighteen hour day that he had to put in aboard ship during the fishing season that lasts from May to November, kept back his boxing career and hampered his training. Yvon has always considered himself first a fisherman.

Yvon is among the most successful fishermen in his village. He has a fine home where he lives with his wife Teressa, a Canadian, and their three children, Jeneva, 6, Yvon Jr., 4 and Paul 16 months. He has a fleet of four boats that fish out of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, going out to fish the Grand Bank for cod, flounder, mackerel, salmon and lobsters. Although it is hard work, Yvon loves his life as a "Farmer of the Sea" and gives the credit to his success in the ring to the hard life he has endured. It has also provided him and his family with a fine livelihood.

Surprisingly Papa Durelle was not a fighting man, yet all of his sons have taken a fling at the fistic sport, from Placide, the oldest, to young Autier (Bimbo), an adopted son.

Placide had only a few pro fights, while Alyre, a career Army man, has done his boxing in amateur and service bouts. Ernie, a welterweight, and Eloi, a middleweight, are in the Canadian Army. They will be discharged shortly and will resume their boxing careers.

Ernie has had over forty pro fights and Eloi close to sixty. Young Bimbo, who made his pro debut last summer, has fought only thrice. Last year a special show was staged at Moncton and all five of the fighting Durelles boxed on the card and each turned in a triumph. Beside his fighting brothers, Yvon has five pretty and charming sisters, Helen, Lucy, Pat, Aurella and Corrine.

Fighting has been a sideline for Durelle during most of his career and he never really trained for a bout until the last few years. In fact, the first time he was inside a real gym was while serving as an anti-aircraft gunner and a

boxing coach during his eighteen months of service with the Canadian Army in 1953-54. Although a sailor most of his life, he preferred going into the Army, instead of the Navy.

While in the Army, he first gained the Canadian light heavyweight title, defeating Gordon Wallace in twelve rounds at Sydney, N.S. on September 8, 1953. A few months later he lost the crown to Doug Harper, in Calgary. Following his discharge in June of 1954 he regained the title by whipping Harper at Newcastle on July 7, in twelve rounds and has retained the title since.

A harrowing experience that Yvon recalls with a shudder befell him and a teenage helper during August 1954. Out on one of his smaller craft alone, they saw a storm brewing, but, as Yvon tells it, the fish were running, and they didn't want to pull in their nets while they were having a good catch. The motor was swamped and they were at the mercy of the surging sea and howling wind. For two and a half days the little boat was battered and tossed by the churning waves. Forced to bail by hand to keep the craft afloat, it was a desperate fight. Part of the time Yvon had to lash his young companion to the mast to keep him from being washed overboard. The storm was so fierce that rescue ships were unable to come to their aid, and it was feared that they were lost.

When the storm subsided, his other boats put to sea, and towed them back to port.

Exhausted, Yvon went home, changed and than drove forty miles to Newcastle where he boxed ten rounds, winning the decision from Bob Isler, although his seconds had a tough time keeping him from falling asleep between rounds. It was a tougher job, than winning the fight.

Until he went to Europe in the winter of 1954, most of his fight days saw him work on board his boat and go directly to the fight club with little rest and no training. All of his bouts were in Canada, up and down the Maritime, except for two in New York.

While on furlough in February of 1954 he traveled to Brooklyn to face a young ex-amateur who was making his tenth pro start. That, of course, was the present world heavyweight champion, Floyd Patterson. Durelle surprised everyone by giving Floyd his toughest fight of his short career as he went the full eight rounds, fighting back every inch of the way.

Yvon's other New York venture saw him stopped in five rounds by high ranking light heavyweight Paul Andrews. He took the Andrews fight like most of his, on short notice and with little training, and it was the first time he failed to finish a contest.

Durelle's first venture abroad was in Berlin against the European titleholder, Gerhard Hecht, who defeated him in ten rounds. He made a creditable showing and then went to England where he lost on a foul to Ron Barton in the third round. Barton was dropped, and claimed a low blow which was allowed by the referee.

Yvon then returned home, as the fishing season was under way. That summer he had four fights, winning two and being stopped by Patterson and Jimmy Slade. His fishing business was prospering and his mind was less and less on fighting. In 1955 he again journeyed to England where he was halted by Yolande Pompey and lost on a disqualification to Artie Towne. Disgusted, he made up his mind to quit.

He felt it was time to hang them up, as he had a good business, a fine family. However next spring an offer came for a fight in Bermuda. Never having been south, Durelle took the match and defeated Jerome Richardson. Then another offer lured him to London where he was outpointed by Arthur Howard.

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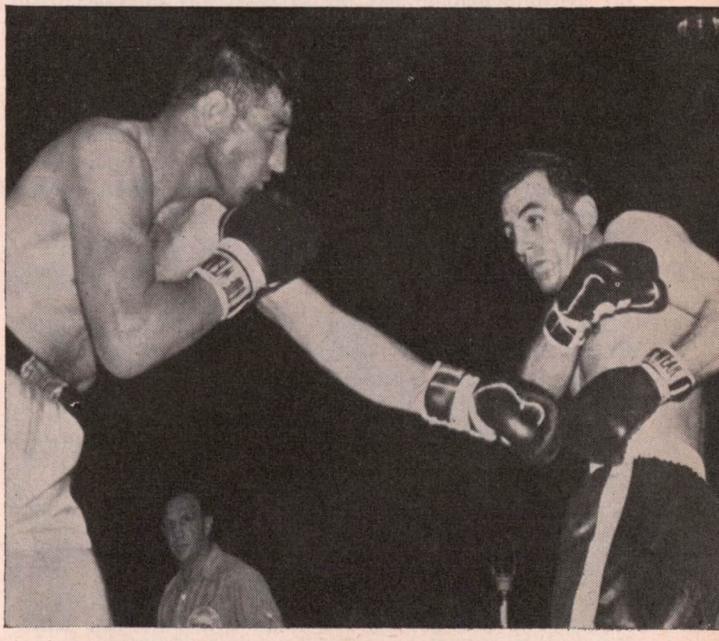
(Left) Yvon Durelle owns a fishing fleet of four boats and is one of the most successful in his village of Baie Ste. Anne, New Brunswick. Durelle credits the hard sea life for his winning ways in the ring.



Yvon Durelle's long left paws at back-stepping Mike Holt of South Africa, in British Empire title bout at Montreal. Holt failed to come out for ninth round.

K.O. Brown, cross-eyed, pigeon-toed southpaw, was a confusing problem to Champion Ad Wolgast in two fights.

Southpaws K.O. Brown, Tendler and Now Lane Have Come Close to Winning Lightweight Title

LEFTS THAT WERE ALMOST RIGHT

By JERSEY JONES

LIGHTWEIGHT Champion Joe Brown doesn't like southpaws, and doesn't hesitate to admit it.

Immediately after the decision was announced following his 15-round joust with left-handed Kenny Lane in Houston, Brown was interviewed in the ring for the television public.

"I don't want to fight any more southpaws," he said.

Joe's outburst was readily understandable. Lane had just given him a stubborn argument. Going into the final round, it appeared to be anybody's fight. The champion needed a furious finish to cinch the verdict and retain his laurels.

Disappointed with his failure to win more decisively, Brown blamed that disappointment on Lane's bothersome southpaw style.

But Joe didn't say, positively, he *wouldn't* fight any more left-handers. He merely said he didn't *like* to fight them.

After all, Brown is a professional tradesman and as a world champion he realizes it's up to him to get all he can while the getting is available. A 32-year-old veteran cannot afford to pass up lucrative matches. For the Lane affair, Joe drew down something like $42,000 for the healthiest payday of his career. After Lane's fine showing, a return match would figure to be even more attractive than the first meeting. There aren't many lightweights around—in fact, we don't know of one—who could do as well for Brown in financial returns. The once popular 135-pound division is in a somewhat anemic condition these days, and "hot" attractions are practically non-visible.

If the demand for another Lane bout materializes, it isn't likely that Brown will veto it. Southpaw or not, Kenny represents the best opponent, financially, that Joe has in view.

NO SOUTHPAW CHAMPS.

The lightweight is one of the only two weight classes that have never had southpaw champions. The other is the heavyweight.

So far as we can recall, no left-hander has even fought for the heavyweight title. The nearest one came to the Big Prize was when Melio Bettina, a former light-heavyweight champion, was considered for membership in Joe Louis' "Bum-of-the-Month Club."

Louis had never tangled with a portsider and when Bettina was suggested as an opponent, Shufflin' Joe decided to try himself out first in a gymnasium setto with a side-wheeler. The result was that the Bettina match never materialized. Louis "didn't want nuthin' to do with no southpaws."

That no lefty has ever scaled the championship heights in the lightweight division has not been because of lack of opportunity. Three of them, including Lane, have had cracks at the title, and all three have come close, but not close enough, to winning.

The first was Knockout Brown, who made things uncomfortable for Ad Wolgast in two sessions within a month in 1911. Unfortunately for K.O., the bouts were of the no-decision species and the only way Brown could have acquired the title was by a knockout. He nearly did it in

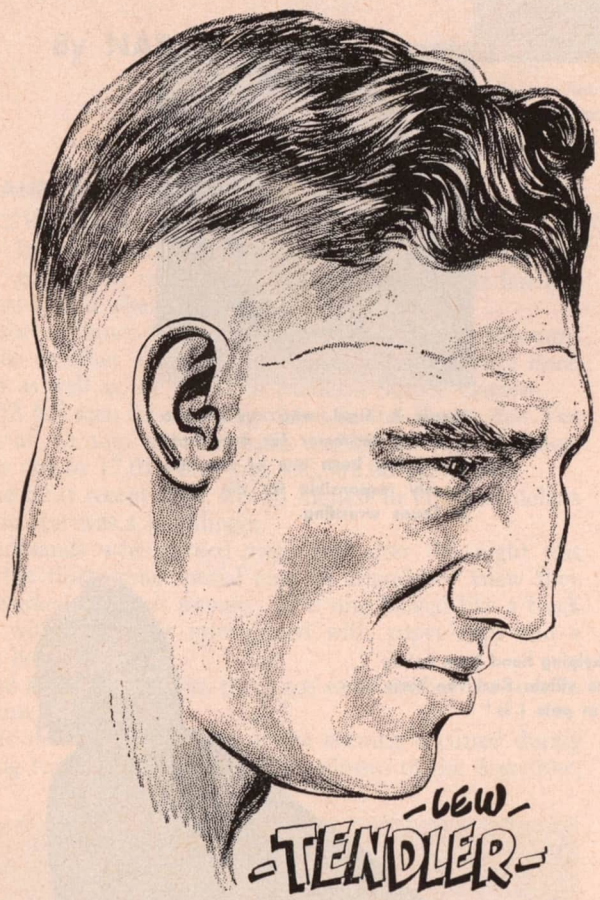
in the early rounds of each bout.

Brown was something of a "freak." A native of New York's Gashouse District, around East 14th Street, he was of German extraction. His square moniker was Valentine Braun, and he was well named. He looked like a comic valentine. Not only was he a southpaw, a strange if not totally unknown species in those days, but he was cross-eyed and pigeon-toed. His opponents not only were confused by his "wrong-way" stance but they could never be sure in which direction he was moving his feet or where he he was aiming his punches.

With all his quaint characteristics, K.O. was a good fighter—strong, rugged, aggressive and a stiff puncher.

AD HAD ROUGH TIME.

Wolgast had been champion about a year when he decided to visit the Atlantic seaboard. The Michigan Wildcat's first stop was Philadelphia, where he was matched with Brown at the old American A.C. The date was Feb-



Lefty Lew Tendler, who let Benny Leonard "talk him out" of winning in the first of their two lightweight title clashes.

ruary 7, 1911, and the bout limited to the six-round no-decision route then permitted in Philadelphia.

There was never anything fancy or flashy in Wolgast's method of ring operations. Ad was what the trade has since labelled "club fighter"—a rowdy, two-handed slugger who couldn't be bothered with the niceties of boxing finesse. He was primarily a back-alley brawler.

The tactics that Wolgast usually found effective against right-handed opponents suddenly seemed futile against the left-handed, cross-eyed, pigeon-toed Brown.

Ad was in trouble from the start. Confused by Brown's unorthodox tactics, the champion had rough going in the early rounds, and a couple of times it looked as though Brown would knock him out. But Wolgast was tough and durable. He weathered the violent spells and gradually improved as the fight progressed. He was beginning to solve Brown's style when the sixth round ended, but it was too late for him to change the result. The newspaper accounts unanimously declared K.O. the winner.

Tom O'Rourke, promoting at the National Sporting Club in New York, lost no time going after a return match. He had no difficulty signing the rivals. Brown was confident he could whip Wolgast again. The champion was certain he had learned how to fight a southpaw and the longer ten-round distance in New York would offer ample opportunity for him to square accounts with Brown for what had happened in the short six-round episode in Philadelphia.

The match was set for March 3, less than a month after the first meeting.

IN TROUBLE AGAIN.

If Wolgast had learned how to fight a southpaw, it wasn't evident in the first two rounds. The aggressive Brown belabored the bewildered champion with right jabs and right-left combinations and in the second round he had Wolgast rocking unsteadily. Ad saved himself by clinching.

By the third stanza Wolgast began to show some improvement but Brown continued to outpunch him through that session and the fourth. In the fifth Wolgast finally hit his real stride. Not only had he figured a defense against Brown's southpaw assaults, but he scored with some jolting punches of his own. From then on Wolgast bossed operations. Several times his lusty left hooks and right uppercuts had Brown in trouble but the gritty New Yorker fought back grimly. At the end of the tenth round there was little to choose between the rivals and the consensus of newspaper voting favored a draw decision.

The next lightweight champion to tangle with a southpaw was Benny Leonard, who had a close call from disaster in the first of his two meetings with Lew Tendler.

The match was held July 27, 1922, at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City, and was over the 12-round no-decision route.

It was in the eighth round that Benny "talked his way" out of a precarious situation.

Early in the round Tendler clipped Leonard with a left to the chin. Benny's eyes glazed and his legs buckled. Instinctively, he dove into a clinch until his head cleared. He'd hardly squared away again, however, when Tendler, shifting to the body, sunk a vicious left into Leonard's midsection. Benny's legs became paralyzed for the moment. He stood there as though glued to the floor.

BENNY'S CLOSE CALL.

There never has been a keener brain in boxing than Leonard's, and this was one time that quick thinking became imperative.

"Keep 'em up," he said to Tendler.

Nonplussed, Lefty Lew stopped fighting to argue with Leonard that the punch wasn't low.

That brief respite was all Leonard wanted. Life returned to his legs and from then on Benny stayed away from danger.

Aside from that one round, Leonard was clearly Tendler's superior, and at the end of the fight there was no disputing Benny's victory.

In that eighth frame, however, Tendler had come so close to winning the title that a return match became inevitable. It was arranged the following summer in New York's brand-new Yankee Stadium. The date was July 23, 1923.

This time there were no "close calls" for Leonard. Benny uncovered one of the most dazzling exhibitions ever seen in any ring, and outclassed Lefty Lew all the way to take

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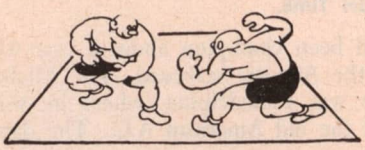
THE MAT WORLD

Miss Beverly Bales, an 18 year old student at the U. of Houston, gets trophy emblematic of her title as Miss Wrestling of 1958. Girl on left, giving award is last years winner—Miss Barbara Hempel.



Morris P. Sigel, who has been a wrestling promoter for over forty years, has been one of the men largely responsible for the boom in Texas wrestling.

Dr. Jerry Graham, right, getting a helping hand from Bobby Davis, as they apply the "split" to villain Karl von Hess. Hess appears to be singing: "Is I in pain I is."

By NAT LOUBET

Do you know who the coot in the middle is? It's none other than bear slugging Tony Galento as he appears in the movie "Across The Everglades." Yep, Tony's only acting.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

NEW YORK CITY which has been on a decline in so far as importance as a sports center is concerned has gained the spotlight in one department. It has the mostest appeal when it comes to wrestling.

A survey shows that neither California, Texas, Missouri, Mexico or other so called "hot" wrestling areas have done nearly as well as the shows in Madison Square Garden.

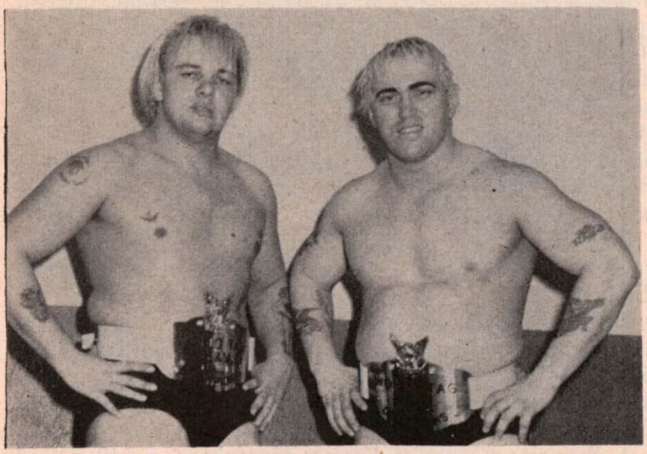
1958 has seen six wrestling shows in the House that Tex Built, all on a-no televised basis, and the average per show comes out to 17,018 fans and $50,542.66 per show.

The most recent card, second highest in fans and dollars for the year was a humdinger.

Thousands were turned away and after the night was over the thirty nine special cops in attendance knew they had worked for their money. The ring looked like a truck farm with vegetables interspersed with paper cups and a spare bottle or two.

And the wrestling, yes, there was some of that too—was to the fans tastes.

The most hysterical part of the evening occurred during the tag team match between that colossus of the Argentine, Antonio Rocca and his buddy Miguel Perez on one team and the Fabulous Kangaroos, Roy Heffernan and Al Costello, on the other.



Wild Man Fargo and Don Stevens, claimants to tag team championship of portions of the U. S. who are currently being billed as "The Fargo Brothers" by that master showman Jack Peefer, who has the boys right up on top of the heap.

The villians, the Kangaroos, went to work on the handsome face of Perez, the fans wrent the air with cat calls and then began to toss fruit and stones into the ring. The match was halted in order to clear the air and the ref warned the balcony contingent that if they wanted to see the match they would have to keep their hands in their pockets.

They did until the match was resumed and then more fruit, most it it ripe, came tumbling down into the ring. The house lights came on, the National Anthem was played, and the match was called a draw.

The other matches were an anti-climax in comparison. The wrestling was good but the fans behaved themselves and the color surrounding the evening paled into a normal night rather than a risked neck.

If the evening showed any statistics it was that the villians, usually blondes, were taken into camp by the bruntees, usually heroes.

Bolo Hakawa, dark hair, managed to use his thumb to defeat the Great Scott (Blondish). The Jap team of Hito and the Great Moto, who are also dark haired, played tricks with the fair-haired team . . . the Toni Twins (no connection with the hair-do), Karl Von Hess and Ludwig Von Krupp.

Johnny Valentine, a chic blonde, met disaster at the hands of the mannish Pepe Chicharro. Paul Anderson, the weight lifter not from hunger, easily took the measure of Skull Murphy in a four minute press. Anderson is credited as being one of, if not the strongest, man in the world.

FAN CLUBS—You Might Like To Join.

The Fabulous Kangaroos, president Elsie J. Smith, Steam Mill Rd., Camden, N. J.

Silent Jim Montare Fan Club, president, Anita McElhaney, 589 Brookfield Rd., Hubbard, Ohio.

Billy Varga, American heavyweight wrestling champion, was entitled to call himself Count by birthright. But his father, Count Joseph Varga, being from the old European school, felt that his son and heir must prove himself worthy of this noble title before he should be allowed it's rights and privileges.

KTLA television station chalked up another first when it

Billy Varga posing with his father Count Joseph Varga as they are surrounded by admiring fans of the claimant to the American title. Billy is a top drawer wherever he appears and is currently getting raves in California rings.

Sandy Scott, brother of George, who is a six foot 222 pound newcomer to Canadian rings. The Scotts will wrestle as a team and in single matches.

televised to a million viewers the passing of the title from father to son. Count Joseph Varga, in a touching and tender speech announced via television that he was abdicating his title in favor of his son. He stated that Billy had made his name synonymous with good, clean sportsmanship and humility—that he had proven himself an outstanding figure in the sports world in skiing, swimming, racing and a real champion in wrestling.

Count Joseph, himself an outstanding athlete and world traveler, was at one time invited to address the Parliament in Australia and spent many years on the continent.

Wrestling has always been young Count William's love. In his hectic career as a professional wrestler he has won the light-heavyweight championship, the junior-heavyweight championship, and now owns and operates a version of the American heavyweight title and proudly wears the belt insured for $10,000 which contains more than $4000 worth of gold plus many diamonds.

SHORT ON KIT FOX

A thrilling wrestler in the pro mat ranks is Kit Fox, a full-blooded Comanche Indian from Oklahoma.

Fox is a versatile grappler who has appeared in all major cities throughout the midwest and the eastern seaboard.

Before entering the mat world he had a colorful career in sports excelling in football, basketball and track.

Fox was a three time amateur boxing champion and held Golden Glove honors in the middleweight division. He was also outstanding in baseball until a sore arm suffered in training camp workouts cut short his career.

The well-muscled young Indian never fails to give an excellent account of himself and has defeated many of the older and more seasoned grapplers. His speed, agility and a full catalog of holds makes him one of the top mat attractions in the fraternity of hard-knocks.

Kit's authentic Indian regalia, plus his wearing of the traditional Indian scalp lock is a great drawing attraction and has drawn thousands through the turnstiles of many arenas in this country.

Standing an even 6-foot in height, Fox packs 215-pounds on a sleek, well co-ordinated frame. His hobbies are hunting, fishing and boating.

WEST OF BROADWAY
With Joe Diehl

Gorgeous George, the erstwhile "Human Orchid" and "Toast of the Coast", returned to Chicago's Amphitheatre after a four-year-absence and drew a house which exceeded 14 G's. ($14,705.69 to be exact.)

Instead of the valet who used to travel with him, the Gorgeous One used his latest wrinkle in this appearance when he introduced his Girl Friday, Cherie Dupre, a sprightly eyeful who handled the counterpart of the valet duties.

Anyway, La Dupre delighted the fans as she climbed into the ring and proceeded to do the perfume bit, by spraying it on the canvas, the the ring ropes and even Dick the Bruiser, the golden one's opponent. George, as usual liberally sprinkled the golden bobby-pins to the ever clamoring femmes, and if anything, his act, if not his grappling, is just as good as it ever was. We last caught him in Binghamton, New York, back in the late Forties when Promoter Pedro Martinez used to employ us as a combination drum-beater and house announcer.

The match itself went to Dick the Bruiser, the former gridder with the Green Bay Packers, who captured 2 out of three falls.

In the semi-windup on the card, Hans Schmidt manhandled Farmer Marlin; Jackie Nichols won by disqualification over Gypsy Joe; Shirley Strimple triumphed over Ada Ash in a special girls match, and Rafael Alvarez and Billy Goelz battled to a draw.

A character known as Farmer Humphrey, a 740 pound dreadnaught is reported to be loose in the mid-west, although he has not wrestled in Chicago.

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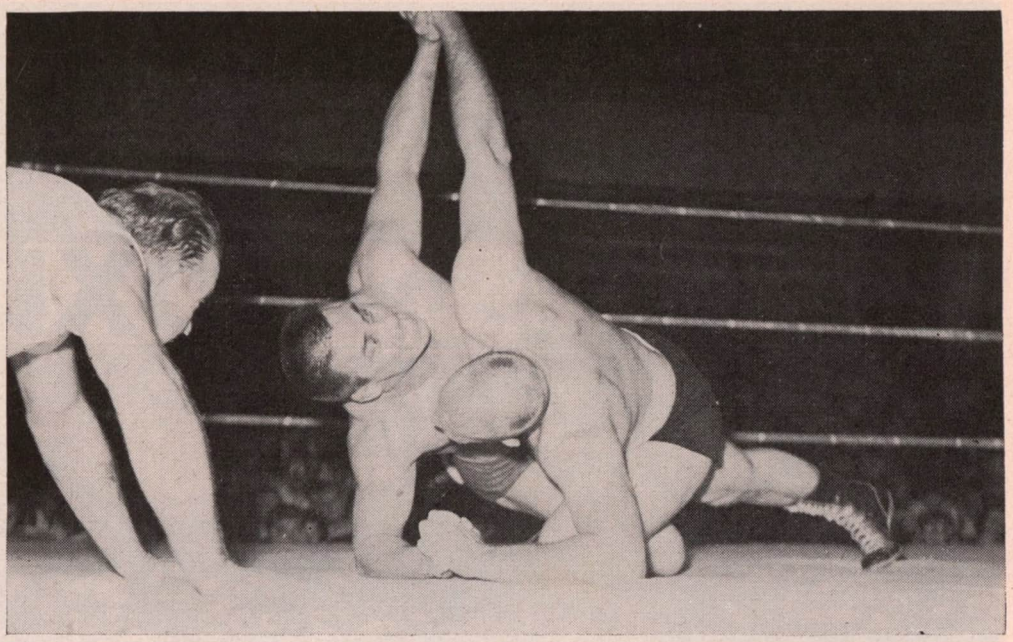
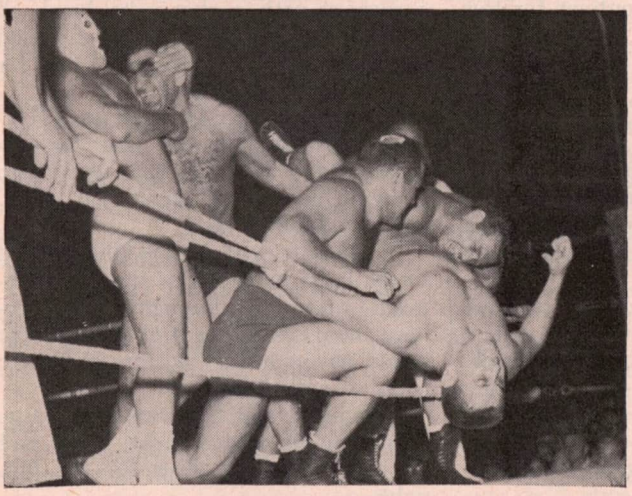
Texas, one of the states most active in boxing, is also a leader in wrestling activity. Right, we see clever Pepper Gomez, facing camera, having it out with Big Fritz Von Erich in a match at Houston that was won by Gomez. (Photo by Bob Utter.)



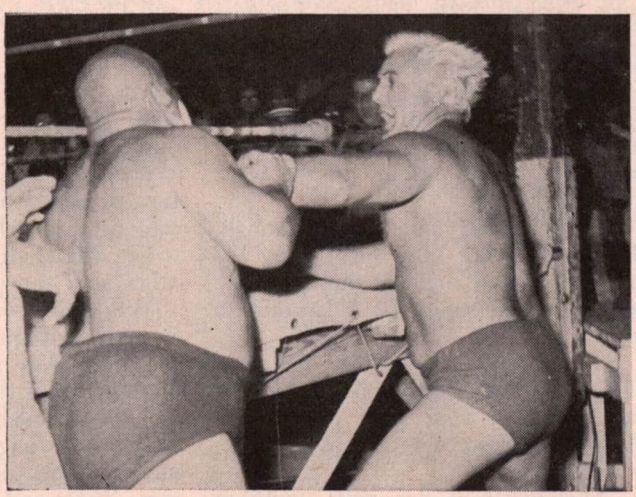
MAT ACTION

Doc Grable exhibiting the roughness which has made him one of the most feared grapplers on the circuit.

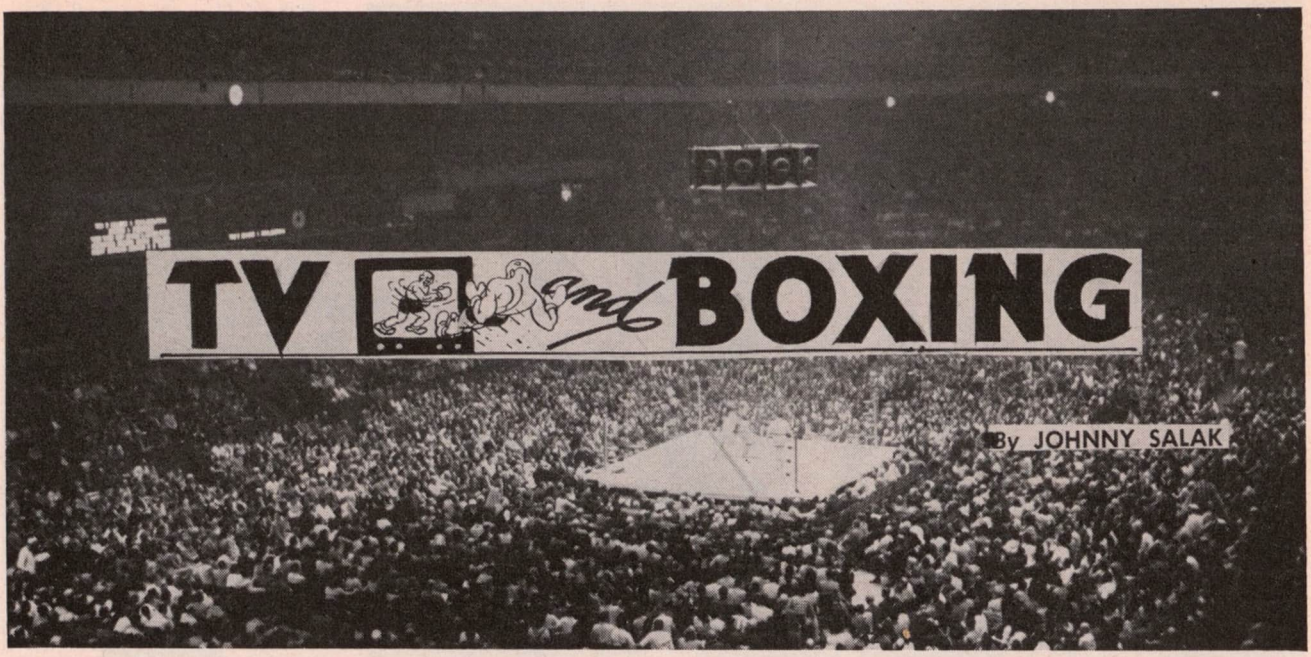
Judy Grable, a pretty handful, sans shoes, doing interesting things with the head of the Lady Angel. The mayhem ended with Grable the winner. Lucky the Angel hasn't any hair.



Action! It's Texas again in a little game called Russian Roulette Tag Team. The wrestler being gently edged out of the ring is Pepper Gomez. Note the Masked Marvel at left and the patch of hair missing from grappler in foreground.



Ali Bey (left) and villain Rip Rogers continue their fray outside the roped square. When both had been helped back into the ring they wrestled to a draw. These shows are typical of what is going on in Texas bouts being promoted by Morris Siegel.



IN the face of a slow advance sale for the Patterson-Harris bout and as the eve of the fight drew near, TelePrompTer remained optimistic. "We should go over a million," said Alfred Greenberg, director of advertising.

A spokesman for one of the movie theater chains showing the bout in some of its New York houses said it would be more logical to use as a yardstick the fight between Rocky Marciano and Don Cockell in San Francisco in May 1956, than the Robinson-Basilio fight, which did a record-breaking business.

The Marciano-Cockell bout did $125,000 in the theater-TV department.

"There are strong similarities between Patterson-Harris and Marciano-Cockell," said a spokesman for Loew's theaters. "Cockell was a comparative unknown. So is Harris. The experts gave Cockell little chance. Likewise Harris. Like the 1955 bout, this one originated on the West Coast with a 11 P.M. starting time."

The advance sale in his chain's theaters was poor until ten days before the bout, but began picking up the week of the fight.

"It should be remembered, though, that most ticket sales for theater-TV are made on the night of the fight," he added. "There could be a last-minute rush."

RKO theaters echoed this view, four of their houses showing the fight telecast in New York City and Westchester. Advance sales there were reported good.

"They're on a par with anything we've had in the past," a spokesman said, "and that includes the Robinson-Basilio bout."

TV BOXING

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† **CAVALCADE OF SPORTS,** Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Network), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

SATURDAY

LEGION STADIUM, Hollywood (KHJ-TV).

† Also head over NBC Radio Network, Don Dumphy, Announcer.

Century Theaters, which showed the Robinson-Basilio telecast in Brooklyn and Queens, did not contract for this one.

"We didn't think the Patterson-Harris fight a strong enough attraction," an executive said, "so we stayed out. Robinson-Basilio was different. We turned fans away for that one. The time is past when theater-TV can be sold as a novelty. You must have a strong attraction or it will flop like any other poor show."

While the twenty Metropolitan area theaters, drive-ins and one arena where the fight was seen represented only one-seventh of the seats—75,000 of the 516,000—available for the telecast in 151 spots throughout the country, they made for the second biggest concentration. Texas had 85,000 seats.

TelePrompTer's optimism for another million-dollar TV gate was based, in part, on the belief that Texas, anxious to view their native son in a championship bout, would provide a sell-out.

Seat prices in Texas ranged from $3 on the Mexican border to a $10 top in the town of Conroe. In the New York area, prices ranged from $3.50 to $7.50.

"We were limited to twenty outlets in the New York area," Greenberg said, "because that's the number of microwave relays which were available, one per theater. However, we were satisfied. The theaters we used were selected to cover the area to best advantage."

Radio broadcast of the world heavyweight championship fight between Floyd Patterson and Roy Harris was frozen out when TelePrompTer decided to go with the closed circuit TV alone.

At the time Irving B. Kahn, president of TelePrompTer, said, "We are so sure our closed circuit telecast will be a success, with a chance to break all box office records, that we have turned down offers of more than $75,000 for the radio rights.

"Our asking price for radio was $100,000, and although the best bid approached that figure we have decided to go with the closed circuit TV alone, and we're not worried.

"I estimate that 20,000,000 listened to the radio broadcast of the Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio fight, and I believe about one per cent of these people would have gone to theaters had there been no radio."

Convinced that Patterson and Harris would put on a great fight, Kahn said he had made two deals for the film rights.

"We could have been assured $200,000 in a flat deal," he said, "but we made two deals, whereby if it is a poor

Stan Lomax, veteran WOR (New York) sportscaster, who presented a summary of the Patterson-Harris fight as furnished by the news services. No sound effects or gimmicks, it was a straight news report.

fight the theaters won't have to pay as much, but for a good fight they pay more. So if it is a good fight we stand to make a lot more than $200,000."

The 151 theaters and arenas committed for the telecast had a seating capacity of 516,000. Kahn pointed out the Robinson-Basilio middleweight title bout last March, which broke all closed circuit records, had slightly more than 500,000 seats. A total of 364,876 fans paid more than $1,400,000 to see the bout.

Two weeks before the Patterson-Harris bout, the sale was 8 or 10 per cent behind the advance sale for Robinson and Basilio. Kahn said that was not significant, however, as well over half the theaters hadn't at that time put the tickets on sale.

As the night of the fight approached a legal battle erupted over radio broadcasting of the fight. Legal action was taken against WOR-Radio to prevent a news summary of the Patterson-Harris. WOR reported it would proceed with plans to report the event.

Stan Lomax, WOR sportscaster, was scheduled to present a summary of the fight strictly as a news report as furnished by the news services, starting at 11:15 P.M. The bout was scheduled to begin at 11:00 P.M.

In an effort to prevent the broadcast, TelePrompTer Corp. served WOR-Radio with legal papers seeking an injunction against the station, claiming it has the exclusive radio, TV and motion picture rights for the bout.

Last year, for the world heavyweight championship bout between Patterson and Pete Rademacher, which was neither on TV or radio, Radio Station KING in Seattle, Wash., with Bill O'Mara at the mike, did a recreation of the bout, following seconds after the completion of the bout.

Truman Gibson, president of the International Boxing Club, which was not promoting the Patterson-Harris world heavyweight title fight, took exception to the TelePrompTer Corporation's ban on home radio for the bout.

"The IBC has always broadcast its big fights to homes," Gibson said, "even though it might have been more profitable, in each instance, to ban radio."

Radio rights to the Robinson-Basilio second bout went for $35,000 and TelePrompTer's asking price, ranging somewhere around $75,000 to $100,000 seemed out of line. Also did Irving Kahn's estimate that one per cent of the 20,000,000 persons who listened to the broadcast of the Robinson-Basilio fight would have gone to theaters if there had been no radio.

However, he had to pick up receipts at the theaters appreciably with a radio ban and, businesswise, it was the right thing to do. Had the advance sale at the theaters been good it is quite possible that TelePrompTer would have sold the radio rights for less but with an astonishingly small advance, their first duty was to try to protect the theater sale. Strangely enough, as the days grew close to the fight (and this is written previous to it) and the advance still remained menacingly minute, there were rumors that TelePrompTer was making a last minute bid to interest one of the networks in broadcasting the bout. At that point, revenue from any source looked good.

Reports from various centers, outside of Texas, showed an amazing lack of interest in the theater telecast of the fight, with many houses clinging optimistically to a last minute rush for tickets. It had happened before, it could happen again, seemed to be the thread on which they based their hopes.

However, Patterson-Harris was a particularly hard fight to sell, especially for the theaters. Good, bad or indifferent, one fighter was all but unknown to the public and while his background was colorful, the fans still didn't know what to expect for their money. Past performance was virtually non-existent and even the sports writers wondered at just what kind of a fight Roy Harris could put up, while doing their best in writing about the Li'l Abner-Dogpatch qualities of Harris and Cut and Shoot, Texas. It was indeed a tough grind to interest the paying fan.

CHANNEL HOPPING. . . . Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion who is at his best when he can talk, began a late-evening chit-chat show on KHJ-TV (Los Angeles). . . . What will Max talk about? Just about anything.

The Music Man. Rory Calhoun, the slugging middleweight, was recently interviewed for TV's $64,000 Question and passed his exams on a high note. . . . Category? Classical music.

No Comment Necessary: Irving B. Kahn, president of TelePrompTer, was quoted as saying, "If I make the top bid to the IBC for the Robinson-Basilio

Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion, has a late-evening chit-chat show on KHJ-TV (Los Angeles).

match and don't get it, I will see the Government's anti-trust department."

TENSE—AND OUT!

State Supreme Court Justice George Tilzer prohibited three New York radio stations, WOR, WINS and WOV, from broadcasting "present tense" accounts of the championship fight.

While the decision barred anything resembling "live" broadcasts or "blow-by-blow accounts in the present tense," it did not, however, prevent the stations from giving accounts of the fight in the past tense, which is just what the three stations did, reading accounts of the fight from the wire service news tickers as these reports were received in their studios as the fight was in progress.

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN LIGHTS WENT OUT?

When the lights went out in theaters throughout the country featuring the exclusive closed circuit telecast of the Patterson-Harris fight came the dawn of realization for TelePrompTer that they had shouldered a financial flop.

Early reports, as we go to press, indicate huge losses for the closed circuit outfit, with most sections of the country disclosing similar accounts—little interest in the bout, which proved to be a thriller, and less patrons at the box office. Ironically, the picture, technically, was just the best we have seen in some twenty-odd approaches to sports via the closed circuit.

Three RKO theaters in New York which screened the bout reported their houses half-or-less filled. The Westbury Drive-In, on Long Island had "around 1,500 people." According to a car count, the attendance seemed much smaller.

Loew's State was the only New York theater with a near-capacity, with many celebrities viewing the championship match at that theater. However, near-capacity and paid attendance usually mean two different things. We shall see, in full, in the next issue.

And where were you when the lights went out?

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

HERMAN (RORY) CALHOUN is the latest illustration of what's wrong with the current sock market.

As we've had occasion to observe more than once in these columns, everybody's in such an infernal hurry, nobody's got time to learn his trade properly.

The fight crowd seems obsessed by those hackneyed adages: "Make hay while the sun shines" . . . "Strike while the iron is hot" . . . "He who hesitates is lost."

In brief, grab everything you can today; t'ell with tomorrow.

There's no such thing as "nursing" a promising youngster along, giving him ample opportunity to learn and improve with the right sort of experience.

Endow a kid with some natural fistic gifts, give him a few wins in preliminary bouts, and, whooosh! he's fighting main events. The inevitable result is that he's a punched-out veteran before he's learned much more than the rudiments of the business.

At 24, and after 41 professional outings, Calhoun still is a comparative youngster, both in years and in ring experience, but he's paid for too many tough fights crowded together.

Even before the battering tossed into him by supposedly light-hitting Genorace (Gene-Ace) Armstrong in Madison Square Garden, it was obvious that Calhoun no longer was the devastating fighting machine he had been only a few brief months before. The sustained speed, furious aggressiveness and sharp, lusty punching which had marked his earlier efforts were slowly vanishing. Even when winning he was absorbing too much punishment. He was "wearing out."

BOXING A LOST ART.

Calhoun is not an exceptional case in these days of "club fighters", whose careers usually are limited to a few years. The fistic fraternity seems to have forgotton that biblical passage: "'Tis better to give than to receive." Boxing, as such, has become a Lost Art with the present generation of slam-bang sluggers. They pay little attention to defense, and rely mainly on strength and stamina to outlast the opposition.

That's why such ancient mechanics as Archie Moore, Ray Robinson and Willie Pep continue to flourish long beyond their normal ring spans. They know how to box, how to pace themselves, how to avoid unnecessary punishment. They learned their trade well in an era when boxing was a thriving industry, the nation abounded in fighters and fight clubs, and an up-and-coming youngster had all the opportunity he could ask for to acquire the necessary "education."

In these days it is difficult for a kid to get that "education." With the advent of national television, the neighborhood and small-town clubs, once fertile developing grounds for young fighters, gradually disappeared from the boxing scene. There are comparatively few spots now where an ambitious kid has a chance to learn the trade. Promoters are desperate for talent, and managers are in a hurry for paydays. That's why so many youngsters, showing promise in a few preliminary bouts, are rushed, before they're ready, into main events and generally early endings to their careers.

NEW YORK'S NEW LOW.

With the St. Nicholas Arena taking a brief summer "vacation," boxing in New York (state as well as city) has reached a new low in activity.

Over a spell of six weeks, from August 4, when the temporary TV deal expired at the St. Nick, until September 15, when the arena hopes to re-open with a new video contract, the only fight cards billed for the entire state were six International Boxing Club TV offerings—four in Madison Square Garden, one in Rochester and one in Syracuse.

Shades of yesteryear, when anywhere from twelve to fifteen shows represented an average *weekly* output for the Empire State! Not only did New York City have a half-dozen or more clubs operating but Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Binghamton, Utica, Schenectady, Albany and Troy were busy fistic centers!

About the only activity up-state now is when the I.B.C. moves in with an occasional TV date.

The city's outlook for the 1958-59 season doesn't look any too promising at the moment. The I.B.C. will continue with its Madison Square Garden programs, and the St. Nick expects to function again, but prospects of Sunnyside Garden and Eastern Parkway Arena resuming operations are anything but encouraging. Moe Fleischer did a fine job with his "young talent" cards at those clubs last spring and early part of the summer, but the financial returns were disappointing. Like the doctor who reported "the operation was a success but the patient died," both clubs produced some entertaining shows but lost money in the process.

ANENT K.O. CHRISTNER

It was a pleasant surprise recently to meet up with K.O. Christner at Stillman's gym. The one-time Akron "Rubber Puddler", a pretty fair sort of journeyman heavyweight during the late '20s and early '30s, was in town with his wife.

It hardly seemed more than a quarter-century since we had last seen Christner. He certainly hadn't aged much in that time, and physically he looked good enough to step along with any of the current heavyweights.

"Yes," he grinned. "For an old pappy guy, I feel fine and keep myself in shape running bowling alleys with my wife in Cumberland, Md. I do a bit of bowling myself and that

helps keep a guy in good shape.

What was he doing in town?

"It's a tough grind going seven days and nights a week for ten months," he explained, "so every summer my wife and I let out the alleys for two months and give ourselves a vacation."

How come he settled in Cumberland? Wasn't he out of Akron?

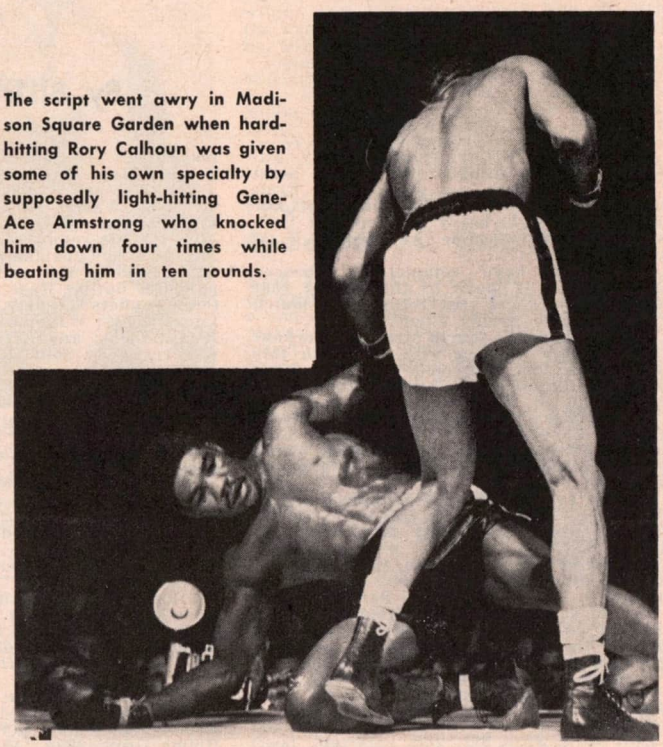
"No, Cumberland's the old home town. I was living in Akron, working in a rubber plant, when I started fighting.

"It was odd how I happened to get into boxing. I was a fair athlete in baseball and football but didn't think I had any special talent for boxing until some of the gang talked me into an amateur tournament. I did all right. Then came a slow season at the rubber plant and I was laid off temporarily. I had to have money to keep going until I got back on the job, so I decided to try my luck fighting professionally. I didn't figure on staying around too long. I was over 30 and that's a tough age for a guy to start a ring career. I figured on a couple of fights, then back to my old job at the rubber plant.

"Well, I won a half-dozen bouts or so, and they offered me a match with Knute Hansen on the big Christmas Fund show in Cleveland. Hansen was a sensation at the time. Gene Tunney had just retired as world champion, and his manager, Billy Gibson, was grooming Hansen to succeed him.

"I was expected to be a soft touch, I guess, but I sort of messed things up by knocking Hansen out in the seventh round. That shoved me right into the limelight, and first thing I knew I was fighting Jack Sharkey, Paulino Uzcudun, Jim Maloney, Otto von Porat, Johnny Risko, Ernie Schaff and that crowd.

"I fought eight or nine years, had a hundred or more bouts all over the country, and managed to hold on to a good chunk of my ring earnings. Boxing was good to me. Here I am, feeling great at 62, and a happy family man with a good-paying business. What more could a guy ask for?"



The script went awry in Madison Square Garden when hard-hitting Rory Calhoun was given some of his own specialty by supposedly light-hitting Gene-Ace Armstrong who knocked him down four times while beating him in ten rounds.

BARRETT'S FINE JOB.

With topline talent getting scarcer and scarcer, the main problem confronting the IBC these days is finding replacements for the fading veterans on its bi-weekly national TV offerings.

In this respect, Jack Barrett, matchmaker of the organization's New York branch, has been turning in a fine job of locating and importing "new faces" for his supporting cards in Madison Square Garden.

Not only have those supporting cards been exceptionally well matched, and productive of some exciting action, but several of the youngsters, previously unknown hereabouts, have been working up through the preliminaries and semi-finals to main-bout status.

Probably the best of Barrett's "discoveries" so far is Len Matthews, 19-year-old Philadelphia lightweight. Barrett brought Matthews to New York for a ten-round semi-final with Bobby Rogers, and the kid was an immediate sensation, fracturing Rogers' jaw and stopping the Chicagoan in three rounds.

That performance earned Lenny a top spot at St. Nick's, where he flattened rugged, experienced Steve Ward in the ninth round.

Now Matthews is set for his IBC-TV debut in Philadelphia in September.

GENE ACE ARMSTRONG.

The most surprising feature of Gene-Ace Armstrong's surprising victory over Rory Calhoun in the Garden was the Elizabethan's suddenly "discovered" punch. Dropping Calhoun four times in ten rounds was more than slightly sensational when one considers that in 14 previous professional starts Armstrong had been credited with only one knockout—and that was of the "technical" variety, the bout being stopped because of his opponent's eye cuts.

Armstrong, incidentally, is hardly an inexperienced adolescent in this rugged trade. True, he hasn't had many professional bouts, but he's now a matured adult of 26 and was well seasoned in amateur and service competition with more than a hundred bouts before he turned to the money ranks in 1955.

Gene-Ace would have boxed for the IBC long before he did had it not been for Cus D'Amato. Willie Robinson is Armstrong's manager but D'Amato had been acting as an "adviser" and because of his bitter anti-IBC crusade, Cus had refused to consider any offers from the organization.

Armstrong "outgrew" the St. Nicholas Arena, where he'd established himself as a middleweight deserving of better things, and he'd been inactive for six months befor he tangled with Calhoun.

Jack Barrett had made repeated bids for Armstrong's services, but Robinson refused to consider them without D'Amato's approval.

As we understand it, when the Calhoun match was broached, Barrett called D'Amato, who was out in Los Angeles with Floyd Patterson for the Roy Harris affair.

"I haven't changed my feelings toward the IBC," said D'Amato, "but I realize it isn't fair to Armstrong to keep him idle. He's entitled to his big chance, and if Robinson is willing to talk business with you, I won't stand in his way."

THE month's results:

Despite disadvantages of three inches in height, the same in reach and five pounds in weight, Bobby Scanlon, 134½, formerly of Buffalo, now of San Francisco, was an easy winner over Gale Kerwin, 139½, transplanted Canadian operating out of Middle Village, L. I., in an unexciting ten in Madison Square Garden. Aside from the second round, when Scanlon floored Kerwin with two left hooks, there was very little real action, Scanlon, well schooled in ring mechanics, boxed smoothly if cautiously and turned in a systematic job of beating the bigger but less talented Kerwin. Bobby wasted few moves, made every punch count and tied Kerwin up in clinches whenever the Canadian appeared threatening. It was the ex-Buffalonian's 30th pro bout without defeat, one draw marring his otherwise perfect record. The semi-final, also over the ten-round distance, was a hard-hitting affair with Rudy Sawyer, 147, Harlem, edging out Cecil Shores, 145½, Cleveland. A pair of Trenton, N. J., entries were winners in preliminaries, Wally Livingston, 124½, decisioning Pat McCoy, 131, Galway, Ireland, in six and James Ellis, 131½, outpointing Roland Kellam, 133½, Brooklyn, in four.

▶ In about as messy an exhibition of the so-called "manly art" as metropolitan fans had seen in quite a spell, Bill Flamio, 147½, Bronx, was a surprise winner over Eddie Lynch, 149, West Side, in a scrambling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Exasperated by Flamio's rushing, mauling, butting tactics, Lynch lost his temper and began to spend as much time arguing with Referee Teddy Martin as he did trying to fight his opponent. The bout degenerated into a tugging and hauling affair, with more wrestling than fighting. Lynch was warned repeatedly by the referee for holding and hitting on the break while Flamio was penalized the eighth round for kneeing Lynch in the groin. A likely-looking newcomer, Tommy Holms, 152½, Binghamton, made a fine impression in the semi-final six by outslugging Larry Jones, 147½, Harlem. In fours, Emile Griffith, 147½, West Side, won from Tommy Leak, 149½, Harlem; Bobby Bartels, 146½, Astoria, outfought John Durant, 153¼, Brooklyn, and Eddie Scurlock, 154¾, Bronx, registered the only knockout of the night when he polished off Richie Verti, 153, Long Island City, at 1:40 of the first.

▶ Slicing a cut alongside his opponent's right eye in the first and ripping a gash above the left eye in the second, Tony DiBiase, 151, Astoria, went on to edge his way to a close decision over Jimmy Archer, 149, Bronx, in a free-punching ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Archer bled steadily from the two cuts and Dr. Sam Swetnick, club physician, made four trips to the Bronxite's corner between rounds to check the damage, but the fight was allowed to go its scheduled distance. Despite the bleeding, Archer fought in his usual wide-open, slam-bang style, but DiBiase was just a bit too shifty for him. In the semi-final six, Jimmy's brother Joey, 154½, salvaged some satisfaction for the clan by beating Bernie Raines, 146, Stamford, Conn. It was unbeaten Joey's 16th straight win. In a pair of fours, Charles W. Forest, 184¾, Hackensack, N. J., won from Nat Dixon, 193¾, Brooklyn, and Danny Jordan, 151, Newark, N. J., had the better of Tommy O'Connor, 153½, West Side.

▶ Sharpshooting Spider Webb, 162½, Chicago, earned the distinction of posting the first knockout scored against Franz Szuzina, 161, since the rugged German began campaigning on this side of the Atlantic early in 1956. One sizzling right in the seventh started Szuzina on his way out in Madison Square Garden. Until then the stocky German, though handicapped in height and reach, had been giving Webb plenty of opposition and had even staggered him a couple of times. Franz was forcing the action in the seventh when Webb suddenly connected with a right to the chin. As

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

A REVITALIZED, rip-roaring Tony Anthony, 175, brought joy to the heart of his manager, my good friend Ernie Braca, by scoring a 50-second knockout over Calvin Brad, light-heavy champion of California, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. Brad weighed 172.

The quick kayo completely redeemed Anthony, and it looks to this writer that he's a cinch to get that return title match with venerable Archie Moore.

It was Anthony's fourth straight knockout win since his meeting with Moore in this same arena, last September—the 27th kayo in 38 pro fights. A left hook to the button sent Calvin to the showers.

Bobby Hicks, 133, protege of Pete Rademacher, scored a 5th round kayo over Enrique Arreola, 136, in the semi-final, slated for six. Looks like the protege is a better man than his pilot.

Another protege, this one a pupil of Henry Armstrong, named Billy Hunter, 187, decisioned Otis Fuller, lanky 191-pounder, in another six.

The fours: Dillard Jackson, 156, decisioned Louis Dodrill, 157; and Willie Patterson (no relation to Floyd) decisioned Sal Rivas, 167.

Note of caution to Archie Moore: If Tony Anthony unleashes the same kind of attack against the light-heavy champ, he may knock Moore loose from his moorings.

Anthony will be welcomed back to L.A. with open arms, no matter whom he faces next time.

▶ Your good friend and mine, Nat Fleischer, came all the way from New York to witness the Zora Folley-Pete Rademacher fight—the 1958 Fight for Lives—and though I didn't see Nat after the fight, I'll wager he wishes, like Yussel the Muscle, that he had "stood in bed".

You'll find his story elsewhere in this edition.

To put it briefly and succinctly: it was a flop, financially as well as artistically.

Rademacher made a miserable showing. He, too, should have "stood in bed". Pete talked a terrific fight. If oratory were the criterion, he'd be the world champ.

The Folley-Rademacher affair had a tremendous buildup, chiefly because it was a City of Hope "Fight for Lives". I've publicized eight or nine of these annual classics, and never one that was as miserable a flop as this one. The newspapers, TV and radio went all out in support of it. As a consequence, betting at ringside was 2½ to 1, Folley favored. He should have been 25 to 1. And I'm not second-guessing; I said it all along.

Gross gate was $35,022. It was geared for about twice that amount. There was no local TV, but there was a radio report.

▶ Tommy Bain ruined Eddie Gasporra's spotless record a few weeks ago in a sensational battle at Hollywood Legion Stadium. In a rematch that was even better than the first scrap, Bain, 129, again trounced Gasporra, 128, in the same arena.

The gross gate was $4,240.

It was not a unanimous decision. Referee Lee Grossman, a very capable gent, deducted one point from each fighter's total for conduct unbecoming a gentleman. He voted 95-93 for Bain. Judge Russ Bradford also saw Bain the victor by a score of 96-94.

Dissenting vote came from former state lightweight champion John Thomas, who saw it 96-95 for Gasporra.

Bain did his best work at close range. The crowd of 3,000 gave both boys a rousing ovation at the finish.

In the six-round semi-final Jose Luis Hernandez, 130, won the unanimous verdict over Kenny Morris, 128, scoring a knockdown in the 4th heat.

The fours: Raul Serrato, 126½, TKO (1) over Dick White, 129; Willie Johnson, 136, dec. Jimmy Mitchell, 140, and Tony Reyes, 134, dec. Tommy Carlin, 130½.

▶ By a hairline decision, Billy Walker, Oakland, 128, won a split-verdict duke over Ernesto Figueroa, Mexico, 129½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. The verdict didn't sit well with the fans; Figueroa finished strongly in the last three heats, and the decision was greeted with a hearty chorus of boos.

Referee Dynamite Jackson and Judge Reg Gillmore voted for Walker, 95-94 and 96-95, respectively (but not respectfully). Judge Tommy Hart voted 94-all, a draw.

The decision, earned or not, wiped out a defeat Walker suffered at the hands of Figueroa last year.

In the six-round semi, Johnny Freeman, 192, won the unanimous verdict over lanky Otis Fuller, 194. They missed lots of punches, but at least they throw 'em. The four-rounders: Jimmy Jones, 155, dec. Ray Lopez, 156½; Willis Johnson, 138½, dec. Art Lopez, 139½; and Artie McCann, 140, TKO (3) over Andy Solis, 137½.

▶ Two eight-rounders topped the card at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A., with Bobby Hicks, 133, scoring his 7th kayo in eight pro starts over Kildo Nunez, 135, in Round 5; and Danny Valdez, 122½, trouncing Luis Sanchez, El Paso, 126, in the other eight.

Hicks, 19, is another alleged protege of Pete Rademacher, and despite that handicap made a big hit with the fans.

Valdez cinched his duke over Sanchez by a big 7th round surge; he had his opponent groggy, but the latter refused to hit the canvas.

A sparse crowd witnessed the show.

In the four-rounders: Collier Cox, 128, dec. Raul Serrato, 126; Joe Hernandez, 137½, dec. Ralph Lemos, 133; and Carlos Campise, 149, KO (4) over Manuel Hackett, 148½.

▶ Former lightweight champion Jimmy Carter, 138¾, snatched victory from what seemed like certain defeat when he stopped Jimmy Grow, 135½, Al Weill's pride, in the 7th round of a scheduled 10 at Hollywood Legion Stadium after which his license was revoked by the California Commission which declared Carter physically unfit to fight any more due to eye trouble.

Grow was ahead on all three cards at the time the fight was stopped. The Irish lad had started Carter's eye puffing in the opening stanza, and though Carter was landing vicious blows to the body, Grow managed to maintain his advantage.

In Round 7, however, Carter nailed Grow with a long left to the head which opened a gash over Jimmy's eye that bled profusely. Referee George Latka called club medic Rudolph Ponce into consultation, and the doctor recommended that the fight be stopped.

In the semi-final, slated for six, Manny Gallardo, 130, scored a 4th round kayo over Frankie Salas, 128—a red-hot brawl.

The fours: Justin Mendez, 133, KO (3) over Freddie Collins, 129½; Roy Smith, 183, dec. Pete Alexander, 179; and Floyd Buchanan, 165½, drew with Willie Bell, 167.

▶ In what seems far back in ring history to young fans, and "not so very long ago" to their elders, the names of Ford Smith and Phil Zwick were prominent in two fistic divisions. They are now employed in the sheriff's office at Vallejo, a large navy yard and residential center 35 miles north of San Francisco.

Smith fought as a heavyweight, sidetracking many would-be contenders for Max Baer's crown. One of his prominent victims was Art Lasky. At the same time, and some years afterward, Zwick was the busiest of featherweights, especially in traveling all around the world to take on opponents.

▶ Crafty, clever George Berry, who once hailed from Gary, Ind., but is now an Angeleno, 138, notched a one-sided win over favored Jerry Firpo, one of Al Weill's boys, 138¾, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Betting was 2-1 at ringside, Firpo favored.

Referee Charley Randolph and Judge Costello Cruz turned in identical cards; both scored it 99-90 for Berry. Judge Joey Olmos voted 99-93 for Berry.

Firpo had the misfortune to suffer a damaged optic in the 6th. The cut was not serious, but the eye kept on swelling and was completely closed at the finish.

Eddie Gilbert, 149½, decisioned Joey Dorando, 149, in the six-round semi. Joey had an early lead, but Gilbert finished fast to catch the eyes of the officials.

The fours: Pico Campo, 121, drew with Manuel Sifuentes, 120; Jimmy Hayes, 140, dec. Renato Torres, 138¾; and Johnny Zion, 119, TKO (2) over Eddie Alvarado, 120.

▶ It happens, every now and then, that a draw verdict gets applause from the fans, and that was the case at the Alympic Auditorium, L.A., when Dwight Hawkins, 118, battled a dead heat with Herman Marques, Stockton, 118.

A "handful of the faithful", to quote John Hall of the Mirror-News, was on hand. It was a good, but bloodless battle.

Here's how the voting went: Referee Dick Young, 96-94 for Marques; Judge Joey Olmos, 97-96 for Hawkins; Judge George Latka, 96-96. It was too close to split hairs, and that's why the fans applauded the verdict.

In the six-round semi, Johnny Hayden, 184, spotted Eddie Cato 30 pounds—Cato weighed 214—and won the unanimous decision, despite some good socks landed by his adversary in the 3rd.

The fours: Al Carroll, 127, dec. Toro Martinez, 132½, Raul Serrato, 127, dec. Tony Mays, 127; and J. C. Johnson, 157, TKO (3) over Ricki Freeman, 158.

▶ Stockton:—Billed as an elimination bout to determine top challenger for the California state bantamweight title, Herman Marquez, 118, clashed with Ross Padilla, 118, formerly of the Philippines, in a 12-rounder at the Civic Auditorium in Stockton. A cut over the left eye of Padilla resulted in Marquez winning by a TKO in the fifth.

A crowd of 1063 paid $2248 gross. Promoter: Willie Hunefeld.

Marquez opened the wound over Padilla's eye in the third. Referee Johnny Reno halted proceedings in the fifth. Marquez was ahead on the cards of all three officials.

Outcome of preliminaries: Joe Vargas, 125, KO'd Gordon Connolly, 121, in 2; Merced Munoz, 150, drew with Ken Willis, 150, in 4; Al Carroll, 126, dec. Carl Gomes, 125, in 4; Joe Gunther, 163, stopped Sonny Pina, 159, in 3.

▶ Oakland:—Many capable battlers, not widely known nationally, have employed the technique of studying TV fights closely. When the youngster sees a headliner against whom he thinks he could make a good showing, a local promoter signs up the notable and the regional favorite, and a good gate often results. And the local boy can get some favorable attention across the country.

Such a bout was the one in Oakland between Reuben Vargas of Northern California and Alex Miteff, member of the top ten of the heavyweights. Miteff came away with a close decision and the contest drew $12,200 at the Oakland Civic Auditorium. Weights: Miteff, 208; Vargas, 196.

When Miteff showed signs of tiring in the eighth, it was Vargas who came on with the fast finish that earned him a 94 against Miteff's 97 in the point consensus. The referee was Tony Bosnich.

The $12,200 gross was paid by approximately 4,000 spectators. Jimmy Dundee promoted, with Don Chargin as matchmaker.

Clarence Williams, 197, dec. Herman Henry, 183, in 6; Don Kelly, 154, outpointed Dave Brown, 150, in 6; Ed Bouvard, 167, drew with Tony Dominguez, 159.

▶ San Francisco:—If San Francisco had a local boxing Hall of Fame, it is likely that clever and hard hitting Frankie Farren would be enshrined among the best Bay City lightweights. Frankie died at the age of 62 after a long illness. His heyday was between 1915 and 1928. Good lightweights abounded in Northern California in the "four round" era, and Frankie's contemporaries gave him spirited opposition.

These included Jimmy Dundee, Oakland Jimmy Duy, Joe Benjamin and Willie Hunefeld. Dundee and Hunefeld are still active in the boxing world—Dundee promoting in Oakland and Hunefeld a very busy impresario in Stockton.

Those who have continued to follow boxing events since Farren's era rate Frankie with today's Cisco Andrade in general ring excellence.

▶ Richmond jottings:—Many Northern California ring fans who will wager on anything were victimized by the opportunist who said "I'll give you 3 to 1 Bob wins it." But all this sharpie wanted was a good laugh. To those who took the bait, he jokingly explained that there were two Bobs—Butcher and Albright, fighting at Richmond. Bob Butcher took the ten round decision at the Richmond Auditorium.

The youngster, Butcher, of S.F., weighed

206. Albright, rugged L.A. veteran, scaled 219.

Most observers thought the promising Butcher passed several big tests. He beat his most experienced opponent to date. Young Bob box brilliantly for the first five rounds, and escaped all traps set by the older campaigner. But thereafter Butcher staged a fast finish to earn the 97-93 point victory listed by Referee Matt Zidich.

Al Weill, who has had his battlers in several recent Richmond shows, was in Albright's corner.

The Jimmy Cosenza promotion grossed $2100.

Teddy Martin, 174, dec. Bob Cosgrove, 182, in 6; Buddy McDonald, 146, KO'd Doug Garrett, 149, in 3; Gene Brasher, 160, outpointed Dick Bohnet, 156.

▶ A few months ago two ambitious Bay Area lightweights astounded their constituents by making bids for national attention by taking on "name" fighters. As a result, shifty Vic Cardot of Oakland received a boxing lesson from super-clever Johnny Gonsalvez. Luke Easter, from S.F., was even more courageous. He picked redoubtable Kenny Lane for his stepping stone to fame. To no one's surprise, Lane beat Easter by a wide margin.

More recently, in the Auditorium at Richmond, Cardot, 139, and Easter, 137½, faced each other. For the first three rounds it looked as if Cardot had learned the most in his top bracket foray, for he was outboxing Easter. But in the fourth Easter got the range, and in two minutes he was victor by a knockout. When Cardot appeared defenseless, Referee Tony Bosnich called a halt.

Promoter Jimmy Cosenza's program drew $1927 gross.

Ocie Chatmon, 183, dec. Nopo Junior, 178, in 6; Jerry Hunnicutt, 154, KO'd Willie Moon, 158, in 2; Willie Woods, 129, halted Johnny Cate, 132, in 2; Keith King, 185, outpointed Warren Gilman, 185, in 4.

"ACTION AT ALBUQUERQUE"

By Johnny Seubert

CIVIC AUDITORIUM: JIMMY MARTINEZ, 154, GLENDALE, ARIZONA, UNANIMOUSLY decisioned Ramon Fuentes, 155, Los Angeles, in the ten round main go.

Gilbert Holquin, 144, El Paso, won a split decision over Joe Louis Murphy, 140, Albuquerque, in a co-main eventer. This was another ten rounder. Joey Limas, Albuquerque, copped a split decision over Luke Sandoval, Clovis, in four rounds. Both boys came in at 135.

Florencio Olguin, 134, Albuquerque, decisioned Frankie Gurule, 135, El Paso, in a four rounder. Lindel Buttram, Albuquerque, flattened Fred Garcia, Costilla, by an easy kayo in 1:15 of round one of a scheduled four.

BOXING IN MONTANA AND NORTHWEST

By Mel Epstein

▶ **Roger Bouse Sid Flaherty's new middleweight** hope blasted "Candy" Lee in the Montana boy's home town of Anaconda in exactly two minutes and forty seconds of the first round. The fight, which took place at the Memorial Gymnasium, brought better than 3000 fight fans though the turnstiles. Lee who hails from Chicago, did not have a chance against the former all-Collegiate champion.

Middleweight Cal "Red" Brown of Priest River, Idaho stomped Paul Kennedy out of the picture in the third round. Jimmy Raxter, a very good looking welterweight prospect of Portland, Oregon was outslugged by Johnny Maravilla of Boise Idaho and succumbed to the persistent Idaho puncher in the fourth round of their pleasing fight. Referee Eli Thomas stopped the battle with seconds to go in order to save the Portland fighter from unnecssary punishment. Chuck Lincoln, a very good middleweight of Portland, decked Elmer Carter in the third round. Carter hails from Salt Lake City. In the scheduled six round semiwindup, Glenn Burgess, the welterweight champion of Idaho, showed just why he holds the title by stopping Bob Milne of Seattle in the third round.

ROGER ROUSE, FORMER ALL-COLLEGIATE 165 POUND CHAMPION, made his homecoming Anaconda June 24th an auspicious one by pounding out a well deserved win over Joe Louis III of Alameda, California in 10 rounds. The bout staged under the auspices of the Drum & Bugle Corps of the Elks Lodge and promoted by Tommy Moyer of Portland with Mel Epstein working in the capacity of matchmaker, drew a huge gathering. The preliminary bouts were all highlighted with plenty of action that thrilled the fans. Jose Pompey, 150, Seattle, stopped

Mauro Vazquez, sensational Mexican featherweight, who in his last bout looked good in decisioning Hank Aceves. He marked up thirteen straight kayoes in Mexico, won three ten rounder and scored a knockout in four bouts in Los Angeles.

Ronnie Earl, 150, Salt Lake 2—Red McHoff, 142, Salt Yake, won decision over Mickey Gilmer, 141, Seattle, Charley Morley, 154, Salt Lake, Kayoed Kirk Barrow, Spokane, 164, 1 round. Johnny Maravilla, Boise, 148, stopped Jackie Frost, Spokane, 146 lbs in five rounds.

▶ In the first nationally televised fight to come out of the state of Washington, Tommy Moyer Co-promoting with the IBC presented the two nationally known heavyweights Harold Carter and Nino Valdez in the beautiful Spokane Coliseum. The ninth round found the two heavyweights slugging it toe-to-toe in the center of the ring when Valdez boomed a right hand flush on the chin of Carter and followed up with another right hand, then a left hook to the chin. As the fighter was toppling to the floor referee Joey August raised Nino's hand signifying the fight was all over. It took four minutes to revive the New Jersey fighter who although stopped, was ahead before the knockout.

▶ In the prelims, Jimmy Raxter a junior welterweight of Portland placed sleeping portions to Mickey Gilmer in the second round of a four round bout. Gilmer hails from Seattle. In a six round bout Johnny Maravilla of Boise, Idaho stopped Jackie Frost in the fifth round. This was a repeat job as Maravilla had stopped the Spokane fighter in Anaconda previously.

▶ In a scheduled four round bout, Cal Brown of Priest River, Idaho fighting in the middleweight class put the damper on Don Horn of Seattle in the second heat. In the final six round bout of the evening, Hugh Williams, a Portland heavyweight fought Bobby Peacock of Vancouver, Washington to a draw.

BOXING NEWS FOR HAWAII

By Ted Yamachiki

KID RAYO, WHO CAME HERE CLAIMING THE WELTERWEIGHT title of Nicaragua, won a ten round decision over inexperienced Anacleto Battad of Honolulu in Civic Auditorium. The fight was close all the way. The two judges who voted for Rayo apparently gave him the nod on the strength of his stronger finish. The referee favored Battad by a one point margin.

Battad is a good looking deaf mute.

Rayo weighed 151 to Battad's 152¾. A small crowd paid $1,266.50 to watch the card, which was promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd.

Yutaka Saikawa, 137¾, beat Walter Vares, 137. 5 rds. Dan Melendez, 135¾, decisioned Yoichi Suzuki, 134½. 4 rds. Harold Mara, 131½, outhit Wilfred Tisalona, 134. 4 rds. Mel Freitas, 142½, outpointed Felix Aciro, 141½. 4 rds.

▶ A well timed right hook to the jaw returned Billy Walker, 127, of San Francisco, a knockout winner over Rufino Ridella, 126¾, of Honolulu in a fight held at the Civic Auditorium. The end came at 2 minutes 6 seconds of the fourth.

How the local experts had favored Ridella was hard to understand once the fight got under way. Walker immediately went on to prove that he had too much punch and polish for his younger foe.

Ridella was willing but outclassed. Every time he started to move in he was sent back on his heels by a barrage of lefts and rights. It was while he was swinging wildly, that Walker measured him off with the knockout blow. The fight was promoted by Bill Pacheco and grossed $1,439.50.

Lionel Rivera, 120½, decisioned Francis Militante, 120. 6 rds. Harold Mara, 132½, beat Walter Vares, 135. 4 rds. Frank Mehio, 126¾, won over Walter Kinoshita, 124¾. 4 rds. Felix Aciro, 141½, outpointed Albert Castellano, 138¾. 4 rds.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES

By Felipe J. C. Galang

KID INDEPENDENCE JR., 115, BADLY OUTPOINTED Young Aqukno, 114, in 10 round main event in Tejeros Square Garden, Makati, Rizal. The Kid baby proved too smart for the heavy slugging fool from Nueva Ecija. Danny Ramirez, 114 lbs. from Iligan City won a very unpopular decision over Baby Espinosa, 110 in 8 rounds. Dio Cagulada, 127 won in one sided match over Larry Fernandez, 132 in another 8 rounder. Ely Fernandez, 117 drew with Romeo Dunde Pneda, 121 in 6. Kid Pio Tatel, 115 bested Tony Chavez, 114 in 6. Teo Castaneda, 121 decisioned Larry Brown, 119 in 6. Star Pancho, 115 lost to Jimmy Kid, 116 in 6. Speedy Rodrigo, 118 defeated Nick Dongito, 121 in 4. Young Carding, 112 bested Naven Kid, 115 in 4. And Little Castaneda, 114 outpointed Ernie Bermudez, 115 in 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Rush Romy. 114 defeated Boy Arturo, 118 in 8 rounds in Santiago, Isabela. Frisco Concepcion, 124 bested Young Cezar. 125 in 8. Al Cruz, 118 kayoed Tenejeros Kid, 120 in 5. Rush Tato, 118 halted Johnny Madrid, 120 in 4.

▶ Young Leyte, 131 defeated Terry Flores, 138 in 6 round main event in San Mateo, Rizal. Marikina Boy, 118 drew with N.P.C. Roy, 120 in 6. Estaban Pastoral, 115 halted Jahnny Tabor, 110 lbs. in 4. Star Braulio, 119 kayoed Teddy Ylen, 121 in 3.

▶ Dio Cagulada, 128 badly outpointed Flash Olanio, 130 in 6 round main event in Guagua, Pampanga under the promotion of Ricardo Sumanqui. Kid Tacio Jr., 112 stopped Little Wolgast, 112 in 1st round. Max Bill, 112 won over Young Mina, 110 in 4. Al Manalang, 128 defeated Joe Dionaldo, 126 in 4.

▶ Johnny Jamito, 118 kayoed Young Brazil, 120 in 5 rounds in Baguio City. Joe Guevarra, 114 kayoed Fighting Gorio, 113 in 1. Harry Hardman, 120 bested Young Rudy, 121 in 6. Fred Saludar, 106 kayoed Sid Alves, 107 in 2. Gilbert Natividad, 100 drew with Little Bargan, 109 in 4.

▶ Blackie Robinson, 110 decisioned Baby Demilliones, 108 in 10 rounds in Grace Park, Caloocan, Rizal. Baby Ross, 114 defeated Berting Alvarez, 115 in 8. Danny Rodenas, 116 lost from a grave mistake of the referee Andres Centernera in 8 rounds. Danny was leading by a very wide margin from the 1st to the last when Dave pushed Rodenas to a neutral corner without a punch. The referee at once raised the hand of Dave thinking that Danny was unable to stand, the timely arrival of the police had saved the skin from the angry mob. Rufi Pineda, 127 defeated Young Eleno, 128 in 6.

Terry Flores, 142 defeated Rufi Pineda, 135 in 6 round main event in Guagua, Pampanga. It was under the promotion of Ricardo Sumanqui. Paul Sebastian, 120 halted Cris Santiago, 118 in 4. Al Manalang Jr., 126 drew with Rush Army, 125 in 4. Young Lubao, 133 halted Clever Santos, 131 in 2. Mart Manansala, 119 kayoed Kid Faby, 117 in 1st round.

▶ Teddy Alama, 152 halted Kid Tony, 142 in 8 rounds in Lucena, Quezon province. Little Brown, 108 bested Rush Benny, 112 in 6 rounds. Gon Francisco, 114 drew with Waling Waling Boy, 111 in 6 rounds. Baby Mario, 128 drew with Strong Canon, 123 in 6. Fighting Victoria, 108 drew with Waling Waling Jr., 112 in 6. Flashy Andy, 112 halted Ric Cunanqui, 116 in 3.

▶ Lucky Marcelo, 135 drew with Lommy Falcon, 133 in 8 rounds in Santiago, Isabela. Nick Johnson, 128 kayoed Rocky Moises, 126 in 5. Boy Domingo, 108 halted Dommy Perez, 110 in 3. Moro Kid, 122 knocked out Little Joe, 124 in 2. Fighting Magsino, 105 stopped Young Rudy, 108 in 4.

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NEW YORK JURY STRIKES AT HOODLUMS
D'AMATO'S LATEST BLAST AT IBC UNFOUNDED
BOXING NEEDS A UNIFORM RULE ON KNOCKOUTS

Nat FLEISCHER says:

FRIENDS of boxing not only in the United States but all over the world are watching, with the keenest interest, developments in the Grand Jury investigation of the professional workings of the sport in the County of New York.

With District Attorney Frank Hogan pressing the investigation, and demanding indictments, there have been many important moves already. This Jury is scheduled to sit until December 4.

Of paramount interest, so far, has been the indictment, on ten counts, as undercover manager and promoter, of Frankie Carbo shady and mysterious character, who is generally referred to as the "underworld commissioner." This may be the means of scaring off those who have been acting as his lieutenants in arranging fights over which he has had control, and to enable the sport to return to a healthy condition.

If the Carbo indictment can bring to an end the nefarious practices of this hoodlum, fight fans throughout the country will offer a vote of thanks to the New York District Attorney who, after several years of study following the report submitted to him by Julius Helfand, Chairman of the Boxing Commission, had obtained sufficient data to place Carbo's case before a jury.

The ten count indictment is based on evidence submitted by Carbo's "pal," Hymie Wallman, manager of record of Frankie's string of fighters. Wallman first took the Fifth Amendment. After being granted immunity, he was forced by law to answer questions submitted by the Grand Jury.

As a result of Wallman's "singing," a boxing judge, Bert Grant; a promoter-manager, Jimmy White; a manager, Harry "Champ" Segal and Carbo have come into the hands of the law.

Each of these must be presumed innocent until proved guilty. But, at least in the case of Carbo, his reputation is such that those interested in the welfare of boxing pray that his activities be ended. Carbo is also being sued by the U. S. Gov't for $750,719 on unpaid taxes and penalties.

HELFAND SENT EVIDENCE BUT LACKED FOLLOWUP

The boxing game has been ruled with an iron hand by Carbo and his lieutenants. Honest managers have had little chance for their fighters under the domineering reign of the mobsters headed by this character whose defiance of law and order, particularly as it relates to pugilism, has been no secret to the police, boxing commissions or promoters.

The last named have been forced to deal with him through undercover managers, several of whom have been exposed by District Attorney Hogan and his able assistant, Alfred Scotti, and from what we have learned, many more indictments will follow.

Pity that a law agency, rather than the New York Boxing Commission, had to spin the web that led to the indictments. Granted that Helfand started the ball rolling when he investigated the guild, and that he turned over to Hogan the information he had gathered, his office could have eliminated many of the undesirables who were named as conspirators at his hearings. Had he done that, the present sweeping investigations—an excellent thing for the sport—perhaps would not have been necessary.

Carbo is not his own boss, if we are to believe what has so frequently been told us. He is one member of a group of unscrupulous overlords. They've pushed promoters and managers around without molestation, due to fear. They have been brazen in their operations throughout the country.

No matter what happens when the trial of the indicted takes place, boxing is certain to gain. The breaks are now all in his favor.

The hoodlums will be on their guard from now on. Promoters will be more wary about taking orders from the mobsters. The sport which caters to millions will again hold its head high.

Boxing was kept alive when Tex Rickard and Mike Jacobs were at the helm and it will continue to be kept alive despite the Carbos. The unsavory conditions that have marred boxing will be eliminated if commissions throughout the country follow the lead of New York's District Attorney and see to it that undercover managers are ousted, that rumors of phoney fights are investigated, that the Carbo mobsters are kept from associating with the promoters. The clean-up is on the way.

Our congratulations to District Attorney Hogan for hitting the bull's-eye with his indictment of Carbo. The faster we get rid of him the quicker will the sport recover.

D'AMATO PRONOUNCEMENTS BORDER ON RIDICULOUS

Cus D'Amato is a man of many pronouncements. At his Oceanside, Calif., Camp where Floyd Patterson was training for his fight with Roy Harris, one of the many he issued, was too ridiculous for the consideration it was given by a world-wide news agency. Said D'Amato: "manipulations by the International Boxing Club affected the progress of Floyd Patterson for his fight with Roy Harris."

That was one statement the fight public couldn't swallow. Anyone who follows the game as closely as does D'Amato, knows that the best way to keep a fighting man in top condition is to keep him engaged in ring competition, something Cus certainly has not done with his world heavyweight champion. Cus seems to have worked under the delusion that gymnasium workouts were sufficient to keep him physically fit to tackle any opponent successfully.

If Floyd found it difficult to attain top form, he had no one to blame but his manager who should know, due to his long experience as a coach and trainer of amateurs, that one ring battle against a worthy opponent is worth far more than six months of bag punching, rope skipping and a few rounds against a spar mate.

No doubt such workouts keep a fighter physically fit, prevent him from adding excess weight and becoming flabby, but one good fight would do more to put the champ in proper fighting trim than all of those gym workouts.

When D'Amato selected Harris as challenger many months ago, a "secret" he kept from the public but which The Ring published long before Cus let the "secret" out, he figured Roy an easy touch, as he did Peter Rademacher. But when he later learned that Harris, no matter his other shortcomings, was a man of courage, a fighting son of a fighting, tough family, to prepare his case with a proper excuse should Patterson fail to please, D'Amato concocted the charge against the I.B.C.

D'Amato is a difficult person to understand. The public is tired of his yammerings. He has an excellent fighting man performing for him. Fight fans will appreciate Floyd more if Cus will play the game fair.

UNIFORM RULE ON KAYOS ALREADY IS IN FORCE

The Nino Valdes-Harold Carter and Yvon Durelle-Henry Holt climaxes have been the subject of considerable debate. The Ring magazine was flooded with telephone calls and telegrams from all parts of the country requesting comment on the verdicts.

"Was it a T.K.O.? Was it a clean knockout? How will The Ring Record book list the bout?"

Those queries came pouring in as the result of the referee halting his count in the knockout of Carter in Seattle and holding up the hand of Valdes, the winner, after Nino had knocked Carter cold.

If ever a man was knocked out, Carter was that night. Why the third man in the ring failed to complete a count and give Valdes proper credit for having accomplished a surprise kayo at a time when he was well behind on points and looked like a sure loser, is beyond reason. Carter was on his back, immovable, eyes closed, following as clean a knockout as could be delivered, yet the reports had Valdes winning by a TKO. How ridiculous officials appear under such rulings.

Valdes, an in-and-out heavyweight who has been striving hard for recognition, was penalized by a referee who unlike the veterans of old, decided that a ten second count was unnecessary. That being his opinion, he should have declared that Valdes won on a knockout instead of having an announcement made that he had stopped the fight. The fight was stopped—but not by the referee—by the clout landed on Carter by his opponent.

Common sense in officiating—both in the matter of repeatedly jumping in to break the fighters and in counting over a boxer who has been floored and cannot arise, would help the present boxing situation considerably. It's a simple matter to know when a boxer cannot continue because of physical injury, weariness or any other cause other than a legitimate knockout.

When a fighter is floored and so badly whipped, as was Carter, so that he couldn't get to his corner for more than five minutes, his opponent should receive credit for a knockout. Boxing Commissions should hold clinics and give their officials instructions so that they won't hesitate to call a clean cut kayo such and not a TKO.

TECHNICAL KNOCKOUTS NOT RECOGNIZED BY "THE RING"

Then again there is the mater of deciding in what round a fight has terminated. In the Durelle-Holt battle—which made a hit with the TV fans except for the repeated fouls committed by the

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NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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Canadian, Holt quit at the end of the eighth round. He couldn't carry on, as he stated, because of fatigue and body punishment. The newspapermen in Montreal correctly stated that the fight had ended in the eighth round.

Jack Sharkey, former heavyweight champion and most reporters on the scene thought the Boxing Commission erred in announcing that Durelle had won by a TKO in the ninth round. Even Referee Maxie Berger, former fighter, gave it as his opinion that the fight should be recorded as an eighth round kayo, but the commission, despite the fact that the bell had not sounded for the ninth session, declared that the bout ended in a TKO in the ninth round.

The Ring agrees with those who argue that if a round has been completed and a new round has not yet started and a fight is stopped between rounds, the kayo should be in the completed round—not the one which hasn't gotten under way. Boxing Commissions should clarify the situation by adopting a universal rule.

The California Boxing Commission follows the rule we have adopted for The Ring Record Book. Although Referee Randolph did not count when Rademacher went down for the second time in the fourth round, he held up Folley's hand and both he and the Commission ruled that Zora had won by a knockout. The California Commission rules stipulate that any fight terminated for any reason other than a cut or a disqualification, is to be recorded as a knockout.

The decision in such cases was dictated back in 1919 when Jack Dempsey knocked out Jess Willard. Jess had been floored seven times in three rounds. He was helpless when he went to his corner at the end of the third. He called to Referee Ollie Pecord, and while sitting in his corner during the rest period, declared that he could go no further.

When the reporters requested a ruling from the official, Pecord ruled that since there had been no fourth round, Willard had been stopped in three. This verdict was upheld by Warren Barbour, official timekeeper for Dempsey and by Tex Rickard, the promoter.

Don"t boxing officials inform themselves on such matters?

ST. NICK ARENA WILL CONTINUE IN GOTHAM

New York City will continue to have three clubs operating as a result of a deal whereby the St. Nicholas Club will be helped by the International Boxing Club and the sponsors of the Wednesday night nationally televised fights.

Due to a cut in the fee which the St. Nick received from Channel 5, which had been sponsoring Ted Brenner's fights, Ted announced that unless he could obtain another sponsor willing to offer a minimum of $5,000 per week, the club that has been operating regularly for many years, would be forced to shut down.

Since St. Nicks developed talent for the two major networks, the ABC and NBC for the Friday night and Wednesday night programs, its elimination would affect the International Boxing Club's weekly bouts. Many boxers who made their start in Brenner's club found themselves either in a semi-final or final bout on the Wednesday and Friday nite programs.

With assurance that St. Nicholas will continue its Monday night shows, boxing in New York will be staged by Brenner, the Sunnyside Gardens, a minor organization, and the International Boxing Club when the Garden is not occupied by an attraction other than boxing.

PARNASSUS AS MATCHMAKER DOING EXCELLENT JOB

George Parnassus, who makes the matches for the Olympic Auditorium of Los Angeles, stated that he no longer manages any fighters. He disposed of his boxers following his acceptance of the matchmaker's post. Prior to joining the Cal Eayton organization, Parnassus handled the affairs of many top ranking Mexican boys.

As matchmaker he has had the same success that was his as a manager.

Since taking over, George has brought together the world's top attractions, first in the Raton Macias vs. Alphonse Halimi contest, followed by the appearance of a second champion in Hogan Bassey who fought Ricardo Moreno and his latest, the Basilio-Art Aragon show was the top attraction of the outdoor season.

LESTER BROMBERG'S BOOK ON CHAMPIONS PUBLISHED

A new handy-sized paper covered book covering the highlights of all divisions in boxing, the personalities and performances of champions since the John L. Sullivan vs. James J. Corbett match in New Orleans has made its appearance with Lester Bromberg, fistic expert of the New York Telegram, the author.

The book can be had from The Ring Book Shop. It costs only fifty cents and consists of two hundred and fifty pages. It is well written and interesting.

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

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Szuzina stumbled, the Spider ripped into him with both hands. The German was still on his feet but reeling groggily when Referee Harry Kessler called a halt at the round's 1:20 mark. In 20 previous American appearances, Szuzina had gone the limit with such ranking opponents as Joey Giardello, Bobby Boyd and Virgil Akins. A strong finish netted Lahouari Godih, 138¾, France, a close decision over Domasco Collazo, 134¼, Cuba, in a clever ten spiced by snappy punching. Julio Romero, 146¼, Puerto Rico, outpointed Yucatan Rivera, 146¼, Mexico, in six. In fours, Bert Reyes, 125¾, Brooklyn, edged out Tom Kelly, 132, Long Island City, and Tommy Smith, 123½, Harlem, decisioned Bobby Reese, 122, Brooklyn.

▶With its temporary TV deal expiring, St. Nicholas Arena headlined its final card of the summer with Philadelphia's latest sensation, 19-year-old Lenny Matthews, 132, in a scheduled ten with Steve Ward, 137½, Hartford, Conn. (Incidentally, what happened to the New York State Athletic Commission's rule which says a boxer under 20 must limit his ring activities to eight rounds!) An experienced campaigner, Ward made things interesting for the lanky, stylish Matthews during the early going but gradually faded before Lenny's steady pounding. He was near collapse at the end of the eighth and Matthews lost little time finishing him in the ninth. A flurry of lefts and rights sent the Nutmeg Stater toppling to the canvas. Referee Ray Miller started to count but stopped when he realized that Ward, even if he arose before ten, would be in no condition to continue. Time of round: 1:23. The bout marked Matthews' 13th straight win, 12th by kayo. Another Philadelphian didn't fare so well in the semi-final. Joe DiGrazio, 188, lasted only 1:16 of one round with Ray Batey, 189, East Elmhurst. Sid Lugo, 134, Brooklyn, decisioned Santiago Cozzaglio, 131½, Argentina, in another six. In fours, Jerry Terry, 127½, Jamaica, L. I., outpointed Jack Smith, 126½, Harlem, and Freddie Todino, 183, Bronx, drew with Al Norton, 174, Brooklyn.

▶Out of action for six months, and appearing in his first headline spot in Madison Square Garden, Genorace (Gene-Ace) Armstrong, 154, Elizabeth, N. J., spotted nearly seven pounds to Rory Calhoun, 160¾, White Plains, and handed him a thorough lambasting in an exciting if one-sided ten. The big surprise was not so much in Armstrong winning, but in four knockdowns he scored en route. The first came in the opening frame when a left hook spilled Calhoun. Rory was down again in the second from another left hook. In the fourth it was a right that dumped him. It was no one punch but a flurry of lefts and rights that sent Calhoun toppling against the ropes in the ninth. Aside from his unexpected punching power, Armstrong showed good boxing ability, and had Calhoun swinging wildly most of the night. Rory did manage to get in some good clouts in the seventh and eighth rounds and at one stage he appeared to hurt Armstrong, but they were the only sessions in which he showed to advantage. Eddie Jordan, 142½, Brooklyn, edged out Peter Schmidt, 142½, Yorkville, in a slugging semi-final six. In other sixes, Juan Pomare, 168, Brooklyn, outfought Leroy Green, 164¼, Kansas City, and Gene Washington, 157, Elizabeth, N. J., won from Frankie Anselm, 151¼, Philadelphia. Manuel Rodriguez, 121¼, Harlem, decisioned Jimmy Ithia, 124½, Harlem, in 4.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN WITH PINKY MITCHELL

Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

AT SIMMONS' BASEBALL FIELD IN KENOSHA, BOB HINDS of Kenosha and Madison, a former University of Wisconsin heavyweight champion, was given the decision after two rounds when referee Bud Beyers disqualified Leroy Duez of Detroit for hitting after the bell.

The best fight on the card saw Vidal Flores, a rushing, crowding welterweight win a five round decision over Fred McCray. In a lightweight scrap, a former National Golden Gloves champion Billy Braggs gave Charlie Spruel of Chicago a boxing lesson and then finished him off in 2:40 of the 4th round. Merlin Fink of Milwaukee scored a first round T.K.O. after dropping Salvatore Reyes twice. In a light heavyweight bout Eddie O'Hara, Milwaukee, nailed Braxton Flanders with a right to end the bout in 2:00 of round one.

It was Kenosha's first professional card in a decade. Tommy Dorff the promoter is an ex-Golden Glover.

It was Hinds' 3rd pro bout. He is managed by the veteran Ike Bernstein.

INGEMAR JOHANSSON

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tance of his September 14th fight with Eddie Machen, rated second as a world heavyweight.

The fight being held in Gothenburg, Sweden, birthplace and city where Ingemar has been brought up, may well determine the future of Swedish hopes.

Should he win he will have a strong claim for a shot at the heavyweight crown. According to his manager, if fair arrangements are made, he will journey to America for his chance at world honors.

Twenty straight victories, twelve by knockouts, have brought Johansson to the "big one." As an amateur, prior to his Olympic debacle, Americans had their only glimpse of the solidly built 197 pounds Swede in action. In the International Golden Gloves he acquitted himself in fine fashion knocking out his opponent, but his awkwardness and greeness gained no rave notices from those at ringside.

He was tabbed as a big, strong, willing kid, no different from the hundreds of other novices who thread their way through the amateur ranks.

A very few Americans had another chance to see Ingemar in action. In 1955 when he arrived in New York for a holiday with his manager, he worked out at Stillman's gymnasium where Nick Florie, a superb trainer took care of him.

Florio summed up his analysis: *"He's strong with a heart that's this big."* He made the motion of a big circle.

European experts have listed him as a rough and tough mauler who changes his pace to lay back and knock your brains out with a right hand counter.

Johannson first drew attention by his victory over Joe Bygraves in 1956. But his critics point to Bygraves' disappointing showing against Wayne Bethea in America as a means of discounting the importance of this performance.

The Swedish "Iron Man" had twelve fights prior to Bygraves. Wins over Kurt Schiegl and Hein Ten Hoff, highlighted this skein.

After the Bygraves bout, Joe won an easy ten rounds decision over Hans Friedrich. He showed punching prowess by knocking Friedrich down in the ninth and again in the last stanza.

Many believed it was bad managing for him to take on Franco Cavicchi in Bologna, Italy. They reasoned that it was the Italian's back yard and with the European title at stake, Johansson wouldn't receive any of the breaks.

As it turned out, he didn't need them. He belted out Cavicchi in the thirteenth round to gain the European heavyweight title.

To close out 1956, he met Peter Bates of Shirebrock, England. Bates at this time had not been knocked out in thirty-two pro fights. There always has to be a first time and Johansson achieved the distinction of knocking out Bates in 105 seconds of the second round with a right hand chop.

Bates's manager, ex British heavyweight champ, Bruce Woodcock, had this to say: *"That Johansson has the fastest right hand I've ever seen in all of my life."*

In 1957, fighting in his native land, Johansson delivered a merciful knockout to Henry Cooper of England in 2:57 of the 5th round. The bout was scheduled for fifteen rounds for the European title but Ingemar's right hand smash decided the issue after giving Cooper a thorough going over.

He closed out the year with an unanimous decision over Archie McBride, considered by many as the best quality fighter the Swedish lad had met to date. It was a one way street with Johansson barging through the American's defense in almost every round. In the seventh and tenth rounds, McBride was staggered and only saved himself from a knockout by clinching.

This year he halted the aspirations of Joe Erskin for a heavyweight title match with Floyd Patterson by decisively beating and then knocking out his English foe in the thirteenth heat.

His last victim before meeting Machen, was none other than Germany's Heinz Neuhaus. Down twice in the fourth and last round, first for an eight count and then unable to beat the fateful ten, Neuhaus was another who couldn't seem to get out of the way of the Swede's right hand.

Called "no boxer," a mauler, he is deceptive and much cleverer than meets the eye. He slips many of his opponent's blows. Due to his size, he appears slow but ask the twelve men he has iced.

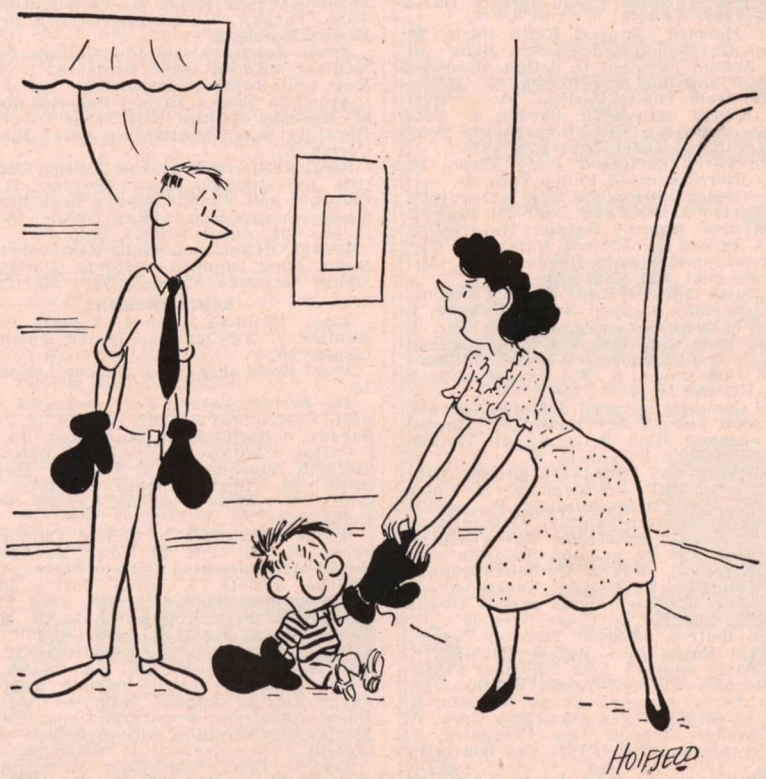
What kind of a man is this tall handsome unmarked son of Sweden?

He is the idol not only of boxing fans but of the teenagers. He is not a fast man with a buck but a good businessman who has had the foresight to invest the money he makes in the ring.

He owns two caterpillar tractors which he rents out, a platers workshop, which he runs with his brother Rolf, and he is currently opening an American style bar and restaurant in downtown Gothenburg. In addition he owns acres of valuable land and is building a home for himself and his fiancee, pretty twenty-two-years-old Birgit Lundgren, to live in when they get married.

His family, consisting of his parents, one sister and five brothers, live in a modest five room villa outside downtown Gothenburg.

Until recently, Ahlquist has been reluctant to consider bringing his boy to America. *"He's not ready, I'll let you know as soon as he is"* was the comment by Edvin when pressed. Now he has gone on record that the Machen fight will decide whether Johansson has punch and will travel.



"GET READY TO DEFEND YOUR TITLE CHAMP!"

RATINGS

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Al (Duke) Malone halted Larry Armstead, 6. Alfonso Moreno and Abel White drew, 10. Hector Pedro Rodriguez drew with Ramon Esquivel, 10. Eduardo Lozano beat Jose Campos, 10. Ray Terrazas decisioned David Cerventes, 10.

Glen Burgess kayoed Bob Milne, 3. Gilberto Holguin kayoed Manuel Rocha, 7, and beat Joe Louis Murphy, 10. Rocky Rivero kayoed Carlos Pintado, 3. Luis Rodriguez stopped Charley Scott, 9. Homero Gutierrez stopped Perico Garcia, 5.

Al Boudreaux stopped Joe Felan, 7. Danny Davis halted Willie Martin, 4. Jimmy Lane edged out Cheffy Reyna, 6. Joe Cook decisioned Willie Ranson, 8, and stopped Solis Scott, 4. Tommy Holmes whipped Louis Jones, 6.

Pichon Reyes kayoed Negro Castillo, 4, but lost to David Perez, 10. Willie Joe Johnson kayoed Eddie Connors, 9. Al Mendoza bested Marcelino Vargas, 6. Paco Castro kayoed Zurdo Constantine, 6.

Julio Romero defeated Yucatan Rivera, 6. Pedro Luna kayoed Manny Yamaciro, 2. Abraham Cervantes kayoed Joe Ronda, 9. John Maravilla stopped Jimmy Raxter, 4. Jose Pompey, 3, and drew with Kenny Willis, 6.

Roy Sparks won from Johnny McKoin, 6. Johnny Powell kayoed Eddie Troy, 3. Robert Cofer kayoed Art Holliday, 1. Martin Ware and Hestel Franks drew, 6. Eddie Jordan outfought Peter Schmidt, 6.

Gaspar Ortega and Mickey Crawford battled to a draw, 10. George Barnes rewon the British Empire title by stopping Johnny Van Rensburg, 13. Stan Harrington outpointed Chico Vejar, 10.

Cecil Courtney whipped Gentry Harris, 6. Danny Davis beat Carlos Coulter, 6. Frankie Ray beat Kenny Willis, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

World Champion Joe Brown successfully retained his title with a unanimous decision over Kenny Lane, 15. Jamie Gine kayoed Transito Villagra, 6. Fred Galiana kayoed Rogelio Andre, 4.

Joe Lopes drew with featherweight Paul Jorgensen, 10.

Paul Armstead was held to a draw by Vicente Rivas, 10.

Jimmy Carter kayoed Jimmy Grow, 7. Angel Garcia beat Bobby Bell, 10, but lost to feather Puppy Garcia, 10. Felix Chiocca won the vacant French title by outpointing Kepithane Akono, 15.

Armando Bragano won the Cuban title by beating Orlando Echevarria, 12. Lahouari Godih defeated Damsco Collazo, 10. Rocky Randell outscored Jimmy Carter, 10.

Willie Morton defeated Alvaro Gutierrez, 10. Gene Gresham stopped Johnny Palmer, 3. Len Matthews halted Steve Ward, 9. Ward had outscored Jimmy Watkins, 8. Raul Anchondo stopped featherweight Cain Rogero, 5, and Octavio Salas, 4, but lost to David Camacho, 10.

Richie Howard whipped Keith Paris, 10. Wilfredo Hurst defeated Alberto Bisbe, 10. George Araujo returned to action after a 2 year layoff and beat Pat McCoy, 10. Al Urbina won from Tomas Castillo, 10.

Luke Easter halted Vic Cardot, 4. Beto Gonzalez stopped Chino Gomez, 10. Tony Pardon whipped Luis Barreto, 8.

George Berry outscored Jerry Firpo, 10. Borrado Flores stopped Felipe Sosa, 4.

Sergio Gomez drew with Carlos Arregui, 10. Roque Castro kayoed San Jose del Pino, 2. Jose Paredes stopped Gabriel Navarro, 2, but was kayoed by Hilario Morales, 2. Jay Fullmer whipped Speedy Henderson, 8. Carlos Loyola beat Ray Contreras, 10.

Ray Riojas defeated Rudy Jordan, 6. Florentino Fernandez stopped Norman Young, 1. Silvestre Villarreal kayoed Manuel Ruiz, 1. Psalm Johnson won from Al King, 8. Al then kayoed Juan Hernandez, 3. Billy Williams whipped Don Mason, 8. Joe Chavez stopped Culichi Uriarte, 4.

Rafael Camacho whipped Salomon Coronal, 8. Joe Scott kayoed Ray Mascoll, 4. Manuel Alcala whipped Raul Solis, 6. Ike Vaughn outpointed Rocky Ferguson, 10.

Bob Keeling won from Vern Lee, 6. Mike Ponce stopped Gilberto Mendoza, 8. Chico Araez won over Carlos Miranda, 6.

Sid Lugo won over Santaigo Gozzaglio, 6. Yutaka Saikawa beat Walter Vares, 5. Camilio Flores won on a disqualification over Eddie Rivera, 3. Ruben Cardena stopped Ramon Delgado, 2. Monchi Lopez kayoed Kid Bechomo, 2. Hugo Perez kayoed Ovidio Almeida, 4, but lost to Cesar Orta, 8.

Alberto Beltran defeated Tiburon Vargas, 6. Ignacio Cobbi beat Rafael Padrino, 6. Danny Davis stopped Lem Thomas, 4. Rolando Morales whipped Angel Robinson, 8.

Julian Perez whipped Frank Serrano, 6. Johnny (Ace) Hand and Glen Ivey drew, 6. Gene Havener stopped Jess Cervantes, 3. Mario Vecchiatto stopped Piet Van Klaveren, 5.

Angel Olivieri won from Sergio Salvia, 10. Ronnie Blackman won over Al Duarte, 6. Tommy Garrow kayoed Don Mann, 4, but was stopped by Johnny Bean, 5. Ray Gonzalez beat James Ealoy, 6. Oscar Ortegon beat Monico Garza, 8. Regulo Landez stopped Gus O'Moran, 6, but lost to Hilario Molina, 6.

Cisco Andrade returned to action and stopped Bobby Bell, 7. Johnny Kidd won Scottish title by halting Johnny McLaren, 9. Stan Hayward won from Franco Rosini on disqualification, 12.

Luke Easter and Buddy McDonald drew, 10. Jimmy Feaster stopped Kid Centilla, 10. Pat McCoy defeated Johnny Juliano, 10. George Araujo defeated Luis Carmona, 8.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Davey Moore edged out Kid Anahuac, 10.

Paul Jorgensen and lightweight Joe Lopes drew, 10.

Gracieux Lamperti whipped Aime Devisch, 10. Manolo Garcia whipped Guillermo Mendoza, 10 and kayoed Hector Miranda, 3, while Mendoza lost to Ricardo Gonzalez, 10 and beat Roque Valenzuela, 10.

Willie Pep outboxed Lou Carmona, 10, and Jesse Rodriguez, 10. Raul Vargas drew with Aldo Gamboa, 10. Antonio (Puppy) Garcia outscored lightweight Angel Garcia, 10.

Lauro Salas kayoed Angel Guerrero, 9. Battling Torres kayoed Jimmy Moser, 2. Fili Nava kayoed Hector Garcia, 7.

Mauro Vazquez outscored Hank Aceves, 10. Alfredo Bunetta beat Anibal Servin, 10. Aldo Pravisani defeated Tanny Campo, 10, Campo also lost to Ray Nobile, 10. Joe Rafiu King stopped Altidoro Polidori, 6. Hisao Kobayashi retained Orient featherweight title by outpointing Sarica Yontrakit, 12. Lucio Gonzalez kayoed Ernie Lopez, 2.

Luis Gutierrez beat Luis Trejo, 10. Guillermo Medina halted Effi Cross, 5. Roberto Uriatre kayoed Torito Jimenez, 8, but was kayoed by Ricardo Manzanillo, 6. Bobby Cervantes whipped Memo Baltazares, 10.

Cain Rogero defeated Ray Martinez, 10, but was stopped by lightweight Raul Anchondo, 4. Billy Walker kayoed Rufino Ridella, 4, and decisioned Ernesto Figueroa, 10. Manny Linson stopped Chino Rivera, 6. Frisco Concepsion defeated Young Cezar, 8. Marcelino Gomez kayoed Gustavo Ohm, 2, and Jorge Ortiz, 9.

Fernando Gomez defeated Cisco Kid, 8. Nick Johnson kayoed Rocky Moises, 5. Americo Rivera beat Kid Aztequita, 10. Nacho Kid won over Leo Hernandez, 8. Tony Martinez won from Memo Gonzalez, 10.

Chilo Barranco decisioned Rosendo Martinez 8. Rolando Mendoza won a disqualification over Zurdo Castellanos, 6. George Reiter kayoed Jim Harris, 5, and Gene Dawson, 3. Chale Robles kayoed Baby Del Polo, 3.

Manny Gallardo kayoed Frankie Sales, 4. Cubanito Gonzalez stopped Rolando Fortiz, 5. Pedro Rocha beat Eloy Sanchez, 10. Sergio Milan and Rene Barriere drew, 10.

Jorge Gonzalez beat Chamaco Rodriguez, 6, Vicente Flores, 6. Tony Corrales bested bantam Tibicio Torres, 10. Jesus Rodriguez kayoed Memo Sanchez, 4. Kid Terranova kayoed Adrian Rojas, 6. Carlos Rios beat Juan Vargas, 6. Joe Hernandez defeated Kenny Morris, 6.

Zurdo Galvin kayoed Jose Galindo, 9. Doug Vaillant stopped Isaac Espinosa, 1. Gallito Ruiz beat Rogelo Saucedo, 10.

Armando Torres kayoed Federico Romero, 5. Modesto Maduro won from Oscar Martinez, 6. Juan Bacallao won over Inocencio Cartas, 6.

Sergio Caprari won the vacant European title by stopping Jean Sneyers, 11. Ike Chestnut and Victor (Sonny) Leon drew, 10. Tanny Campo lost to Ray Nobile, 10. Jose Cotero outpointed Tommy Bain, 10.

George Reiter won from Ray Torynaz, 6. Rafiu King stopped Altidoro Polidori, 6. Manny Gallardo stopped Dave Martinez, 1.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Jose (Toluco) Lopez kayoed Grillito Aguilar, 7. Aguilar then bested Rusco Rodriguez, 10.

Piero Rollo outpointed Eugene LeCozannet, 10.

Joe Becerra kayoed Joey Augustin, 5. Roberto Castro beat Aldolfo Pendan, 10. Johnny Sarduy defeated Chuy Rodriguez, 10.

Carlos Cardoso stopped Al Wilcher, 7. Herman Marques and Dwight Hawkins, drew, 10. German Ohm whipped Memo Diez, 10. Rudy Corona kayoed Chango Ceballoa, 1.

Roque Fernandez won over Chiquis Rosales, 10, but lost to Tony Martinez, 10. Zurdo Arce defeated Tibico Torres, 8, and Chucho Arriola, 8, while Torres lost to featherweight Tony Corrales, 10. Chucho Hernandez halted Alejo Mejia, 5. Danny Valdez decisioned Luis Sanchez, 10. Paul Leanos decisioned Ray Martinez, 12. Ray also lost to feather Cain Rogero, 10.

Edwin Sykes bested Orlando Reyes, 10. Javier Garfias kayoed Roberto Uriarte, 2. David Rodriguez won from Chuy Guerrero, 10. Huesito Gonzalez outscored Luis Gufierrez, 10.

Avelino Felix beat Tony Meza, 10, and stopped Tony Corrales, 3. Pimi Barrajes drew with flyweight Saul Becerril, 10. Arnulfo Palomares stopped Tribilin Carmona, 10. Lucio Flores kayoed Xcotencalt Kid, 6. Kid Lunarcito beat Chango Moreno, 8.

Max Huerta defeated Alex Jimenez, 8. Gildo Vargas kayoed Chamaco Alvarez, 8. Luis Estrada kayoed Manuel Rojas, 3. Pajaro Gonzalez kayoed Jorge Herrera, 7, then won a technical decision, 7.

Monito Luna won from Lenador Gonzalez, 8. Lionel Rivera defeated Francis Millitante, 6. Vidal Gomez kayoed Alvaro Gonzalez, 4. Pedro Gonzales whipped Gerardo Isoba, 10. Luis Quijano beat Juan Miranda, 6. Alberto Soto kayoed Paulino Guerrero, 5.

Guillermo Gonzalez defeated Oaxaca Kid, 6. Tony Hernandez whipped Alfredo Olivera, 6. Gallito Reyes kayoed Tacho Martinez, 6.

Alberto Ledesma kayoed Martin Ortiz, 5, Ortiz was also kayoed by Sabino Mendez, 5. Jose Oliva defeated Elias Diaz Trejo, 6. Aurelio Reyna bested Manuel Chapa, 6.

Joe Becerra kayoed Willie Parker, 2. Boots Monroe stopped Roberto Hernandez, 5. Billy Rafferty again decisioned Danny McNamee, 8.

Australian Champion Dick White whipped Larry Bataan, 12. Fierro Rollo outpointed French Champion Eugene LeCozenet, 10. Spanish Champion Juan Cardenas disposed of Juanito Segura, 3.

FLYWEIGHTS

World champion Vascual Perez whipped Tito Ragone, 10. (non-title).

European champion Young Martin retained his title by outpointing French Champion Robert Pollazon, 15.

Dommy Ursua kayoed Toshiro Tananka, 9.

Ramon Calatayud outpointed Jimmy Abeyta, 10.

Saul Becerril drew with bantamweight Pimi Barrajes, 10.

Little Pancho kayoed Fighting Jamal, 8. Francesco Carreno whipped Guy Schatt, 10, and Edgar Basel, 10. Basel had won from Antonio Lopez Durban, 10.

Zurdo Pina halted bantam Jose Luis Mora, 10. Hiracio Accavallo kayoed Avelino Romero, 5. Luis Gonzalez decisioned Raul Olmos, 10, but lost to Pablo Berrios, 10.

Tuntun Torres halted Joe Gomez, 3. Luis Rivera defeated Raul Alcantara, 10.

Antonio Diaz whipped Moncef Fehri, 10. Blackie Robinson decisioned Baby Demilliones, 10. Babe Tinajero defeated Cuervo Salinas, 8.

Kid Independence Jr. outscored Young Aquino, 10. Eduardo Hernandez kayoed Roman Rodriguez, 3.

Pierre Rossi defeated Christian Marchand, 10. Manuel Tolosa defeated Baby Vazquez, 6. Francisco Ortiz kayoed Felipe Garcia, 1. Baby Ross won from Bertling Alvarez, 8.

Ray Mendoza kayoed Baby Luis, 1. Rush Romy bested Boy Arturo, 8. Alfonso Palma whipped Pablo Gonzalez, 8. Chua Gim Leng defeated Boy Nicholas, 8.

Danny Ramirez whipped Baby Espinosa, 8. Little Brown defeated Rush Benny, 6. Waling Waling Boy drew with Gon Francisco, 6.

Miguel Ulloa won from Chocolate Guadarrama, 6, and Vatricio Noriega, 10.

Japanese champion Sadao Yaoita decisioned Leo Zulueta, 10. Scottish Champion Alex Ambrose outpointed Eddie O'Connor, 8.

Knocked out by bantamweight Juan Cardenas, 3, Juanito Sagura came back to win the Spanish title from Jose Ogazon, 12.

Slapsy Maxie Rosenbloom, former light heavyweight champion of the world who, after ending his ring career, gained wider popularity as a comedian in motion pictures, on radio and in night clubs, is currently quite active, with the possibility of a TV show in the offing.

RADEMACHER HOAX

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That statement answered the query we frequently asked D'Amato but which he always ducked.

"I'll surprise you all with two fights for Floyd this year," he told the writer only recently after he had made the Harris match, but when pressed, said, *"I don't have to tell you who the second will be with. I'll announce the opponent when I'm ready."*

As for the Los Angeles fight, no one was surprised over the outcome unless it was Rademacher. The shock was the failure of Pete to make a serious try.

He was cautious, frightened even during the weigh-in and slow, he retreated, offered an occasional ineffective left jab, landed only two good punches in the entire "fight", was clumsy in both attack and defense, stood at times with quaking feet and an amateurish stance, cocked his right, his best wallop, but didn't use it—that sums up what was in evidence in the Olympic Auditorium.

7100 spectators who paid $35,022, saw the Olympic boxing hero exposed as crude, and untalented. With a $35,000 guaranteed and additional expenses, he received more than the gross gate, which left the promoter with a deficit of about $5,000 and Folley with bread crumbs for his efforts.

In all of the knockdowns scored by Zora, he used his right. In the third he put Rademacher down for a nine count with a whistling short right against Pete's left ear, which puffed and bled. When Pete got to his feet, Folley went after him. His objective, as he told the reporters later, was to score a quicker knockout than did Patterson. He let fly a right to the side of Pete's jaw and down Pete went again for an eight count. Then the Olympic champion showed a little fight, he tried to mix it but all he could connect with was a left to the body that slowed Zora who was warned shortly after for using a rabbit punch. The men failed to hear the bell and several tosses were made after it had sounded.

In the fourth Zora wasted no time. He caught Pete along the ropes with a right that floored him for nine. He got to his feet again and tried desperately to grab Zora's feet, was so crude that he almost fell again without being hit.

Folley stepped out of range, and crashed a right to the chin with a downward movement that caused Rademacher to spin in a circle. Then he dropped him pop-eyed on hands and knees. He was in a praying position. Referee Randolf, with a look of disgust, walked over to Folley, raised his hand, and the "fight" was over.

The man who had been joking since his loss to Patterson by declaring he was still an amateur since Jack Hurley got all the profits of the fight while Pete fought for nothing, convinced the public that he is just that—a bold amateur, a talkative, convincing salesman whose knowledge of boxing is nil.

With blood dripping from nose, the deep gash over his forehead and the cut beneath the left eye, Pete was a sorry sight as he sprang to his feet and walked to his corner amidst a greeting of booes and catcalls. His career ended as an incredibly fortunate amateur whose sweet talk had gained for him two contests of international importance in his two starts as a professional. "The Death of a Salesman."

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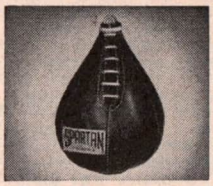

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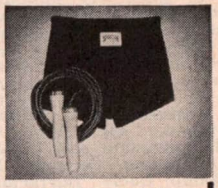

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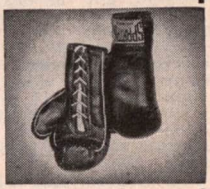

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LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

Only three fights were staged in La Laguna during the month, and all at the Arena "Olimpica" of Gomez Palacio, under the promotion of Manuel Mateos and the Dipp Bros.

▶The Torreon Boxing Commission, backing a resolution from the Gomez Palacio's Commission, authorized the Bantamweight Championship match between Raul Leanos and young Facundo Martinez. The real Champ, Lucio "Borracho" Gonzalez was displaced due to overweight. The worst of that was that they forgot such boys as Jose Galvan and Goyo Flores, who are the best of our bantams. So, Facundo, a very "green" newcomer, got the chance and lost.

Leanos got the 12-round duke and the Champion belt.

In the 10-round semi, Raul Anchondo, 134, was too heavy and big for little Cain Rogero, 124, who went down in the fifth.

Luis Gonzalez, 111, decisioned Raul Olmos, 116 in 10. Jorge Gonzalez, 123, beat Rodolfo "Chamaco" Rodriguez, 124, in six. Salvador Guerrero, 118, won in four over with Martin Varela, 117.

▶Cain Rogero, 123, beat Facundo Martinez, 120, in ten rounds. Pablo Barrios, 115, beat Luis Gonzalez, 113, also in ten. Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 125, defeated Manuel Varela, 128, in eight. Jorge Gonzalez, 124, decisioned veteran Vicente Flores, 123, in six rounds. Carlos Rios, 122, iced Kid Charol, 121, in the second.

▶Raul Anchondo, 138, nailed Octavio Salas, 144, in four rounds. Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 126, did the same in similar time with Memo Sanchez, 130. Carlos Rios, 125, beat Juan Vargas, 124, in six. Veteran Lucio Polina Hidalgo, 120, outpointed Gil Rodriguez, 122, in four.

▶CULIACAN:—Sailor boy from Salina Cruz, Javier Garfias, 118 kayoed Roberto "Culichi" Uriarte, 123, in two rounds.

▶JUCHITAN:—Rolando Mendoza "Ventarron II", 126, won by a disqualification over Zurdo Castellanos, 125, in the sixth. Kid Lunarcito, 118, beat Chango Moreno, 119, in eight. Ray Mendoza, 115, (14 years old), stopped Baby Luis, 113, in the first round.

▶TIJUANA:—Saul Becerril, 113, maybe the best flyweight of Mexico, and veteran Pimi Jimenez, 117, drew after ten well fought rounds. Pajaro Gonzalez, 120, put in bed Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 118, in the seventh.

▶REYNOSA:—Borrado Flores, 135, stopped Felipe Sosa, 130, in four rounds. Pajarito Gonzalez, 130, nailed Charro Martinez, 133, in five.

▶MATAMOROS:—Tony Martinez, 121, the kid from San Luisito Market, defeated veteran Roque Fernandez, 118, in ten rounds.

▶ENSENADA:—Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 119, National Bantamweight Champion, had a picnic with mediocre Grillito Aguilar, 118. Aquillar visited the canvas six times and finally he remained on the floor in the seventh.

▶CUERNAVACA:—Pichon Reyes, 145, bolted Negro Castillo, 146, in four.

▶SON LUIS:—Mike Ponce, 135, stopped Gilberto "Pato" Mendoza, 136, in eight. Vidal Gomez, 119, knocked out Alvaro Gonzalez, 117, in four.

▶HERMOSILLO:—Rudy Corona, 121, iced Chango Ceballos, 120, in the first round. Camilo Flores, 139, won by disqualification over Eddie Rivera, 140, in three. Manny Linson, 122, floored ten times Chino Rivera, 121, and knocked him in the sixth.

▶GUAYMAS:—Avelino Felix, 121, stopped Tony Corrales, 125, in the third.

▶MATAMOROS:—Gallito Reyes, 120, put veteran Tacho Martinez 119, to sleep in six rounds.

▶MONTERREY:—Clever and hard hitting Battling Torres, 125, made the grade thanks to the great opportunity given to him by promoter Enrique Lutteroth, son of Salvador Lutteroth, the controller of big boxing in Mexico City. The Battling boy met Jimmy Moser, Featherweight Champion of California, and floored the Californian three times and stopped him in two rounds. In the scheduled 10-round semi, Paco Castro, 149, halted Zurdo Constantine, 150, in the sixth.

▶MAZATLAN:—Roberto "Culichi" Uriarte, 125, put the red light to Torito Jimenez, 122, in eight. Abraham Cervantes, 143, stopped Joe Ronda, 139, in seven.

▶MATAMOROS:—Former topnotcher Jorge "Chale" Robles, 125, gave up his prolonged recess and came back to kayo Baby Del Polo, 124, in three rounds.

▶CUERNAVACA:—Marcelino Gomez, 127, scored a 2-round kayo over Gustavo Ohm, 126, kid brother of German Ohm. Alberto Ledesma, 118, bolted Martin Ortiz, 117, in the fifth.

▶GUAYMAS:—Tony Corrales, 129, notwithstanding his superiority in weight, had to sweat a lot to outscore little Tibico Torres, 117, in ten hard rounds. Carlos Loyola, 133, bested Ray Contreras, 128, in the other tenner.

▶MONTERREY:—Here you have another great promotion of Enrique Lutteroth the man who is making Monterey a big boxing center. Lauro Salas, 128, former Lightweight Champ of the World, after being well down on points, landed a terrific right uppercut into Angel Guerrero's midsection and sent the Acapulco mulatto to sleep in nine rounds. Guerrero, weighed 127. In the other tenners, Americo Rivera, 128, bested Kid Aztequita, 130, and David Camacho, 133, outpointed Raul Anchondo, 135.

▶ACAPULCO:—Kid Terranova, 123, iced Adrian Rojas, 121, in six.

▶SALTILLO:—The Barber from Santa Fe de los Linderos, Otilio "Zurdo" Galvan, 125, had his usual monthly fight, knocking out Joe Galindo, 126, in nine rounds. Gallito Ruiz, 121, outscored Rogelio Saucedo, 124, in ten rolls.

▶REYNOSA:—David Rodriguez, 118, bested Chuy Guerrero, 119, in ten. Gildo Vargas, 119, halted Chamaco Alvarez, 118, in the eighth.

▶MATAMOROS:—German Ohm, 118, easily whipped Memo Diez, 122, in ten rounds. In the 10-round semi, Filiberto "Fili" Nava, 129, iced Hector Garcia, 124, in seven rounds. Ignacio "TunTun" Torres, 116, halted Joe Gomez, 119, in the third of another scheduled tener.

▶CUERNAVACA:—Arnulfo Palomares, 123, stopped Tribilin Carmona, 122, in the last round of their scheduled 10-round main event. Alberto Soto, 119, stopped Paulino Guerrero, 120, in five rounds.

▶ACAPULCO: — Marcelino Gomez, 126, halted Jorge Ortiz, 127, in nine.

▶MONTERREY: — Tony Martinez, 123, bested Memo Gonzalez, 122, in ten. Sabino Mendez, 118, put the red light to Martin Ortiz, 117, in the fifth.

▶MAZATLAN:—Ricardo Manzanillo Jr., 125, stopped Roberto "Culichi" Uriarte, 126, in six rounds. Pedro Carmona Luna, 145, in a great fight, iced Manny Yamaciro, 146, in the second.

▶TIJUANA:—Joe Becerra, 118, high ranked boy at THE RING, put Joey Augustin, 119, to sleep in five rounds.

▶CUERNAVACA:—David Perez, 148, bested Pichon Reyes, 145, in ten.

▶MONTERREY:—Carlos Cardoso, 118, The Golden Hawk, son of Enrique Cardoso, scored his most valuable triumph in his fighting career, when he stopped Al Wilcher, 119, in the seventh round. Silvestre Villarreal, 135, stopped Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 134, in the very first round.

▶ACAPULCO:—Pedro Rocha, 124, got a very booed 10-round duke over Eloy Sanchez, 119. Miguel Ulloa, 114, bested Patricio Noriega, 118, also in a tenner.

▶OBREGON:—Avelino Felix, 120, outpointed Tony Meza, 121, in ten. Lucio "Borracho" Gonzalez, 128, nailed Ernie Lopez, 132, in the second round.

▶TIJUANA:—The fans covered the ring with bottles, chairs, papers and bricks when the referee declared Davey Moore, 128, the winner over Kid Anahuac, 127, after ten rounds. Everybody thought that the Mexican boy was the winner. In the other tenner, Pajaro Gonzalez, 118, scored a 7-round technical decision over Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 117.

▶MEXICALI:—Ignacio "Zurdo" Pina, 115, halted Jose Luis Mora, 118, in ten rounds. Grillo Aguilar, 119, outpointed Ruso Rodriguez, 121, in ten.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

BOXING CARDS DURING JULY CONTINUED ON THE POOR SIDE, but the outlook seems promising for the near future. Promoter Miguel De la Colina, who handled boxing for nine years and resigned the position two years ago, has come back. Although the situation is not very bright, it is hoped, however, that experienced señor De la Colina may be able to considerably improve it.

▶Sergio Gomez, 134, drew with Carlos Arregui, 135, in 10. Zurdo Arc, 118, decisioned Tibico Aorres, 117, in 8. Babe Tinajero, 112, decisioned Cuervo Salinas, 112, in 8. Tony Sanchez, 125, decisioned Rodolfo Lopez, 125, in 6. Kid Olvarado, 135, decisioned Victor Sosa, 134, in 4.

▶Al Urbina, 13, decisioned Tomas Castillo, 134, in 10. Chucho Hernandez, 118, stopped Alejo Mejia, 117, in 5. Luis Estrada, 118, stopped Manuel Rojas, 118, in 3. Miguel Ulloa, 112, decisioned Chocolate Guadarrama, 112, in 6. Juan Lira, 117, decisioned Sergio Badillo, 118, in 4.

▶Luis Gutierrez, 126, decisioned Luis Trejo, 126, in 10. Nacho Kid, 125, decisioned Leo Hernandez, 125, in 8. Ruben Cadena, 134, stopped Ramon Delgado, 135, in 2. Eduardo Hernandez, 112, stopped Roman Rodriguez, 112, in 3. Miguel Angel Vargas, 118, stopped Raul del Olmo, 119, in the fourth and last round.

▶Jose Paredas, 134, stopped Gabriel Navarro, 135, in 2. Rafael Camacho, 134, decisioned Salomon Coronel, 135, in 8. Fernando Gomez, 126, decisioned Cisco Kid, 125, in 8. Alberto Beltran, 134, decisioned Tiburon Vargas, 134, in 6. Juan Saldana, 121, stopped Margarito Sanchez, 120, in the fourth and last round.

Roque Fernandez, 119, decisioned Chiquis Rosales, 118, in 10. Eduardo Lozano, 147, decisioned Jose Campos, 146, in 10. Max Huerta, 118, decisioned Alex Jimenez, 118, in 8. Guillermo Gonzalez, 118, decisioned Oaxaca Kid, 118, in 6. Juan Hernandez, 118, decisioned Julio Martinez, 117, in 4.

▶Bobby Cervantes 126, decisioned Memo Baltazares, 125, in 10. Zurdo Arc, 119, decisioned Chucho Arriola, 117, in 8. Monito Luna, 118, decisioned Leñador Gonzalez, 118, in 8. Tony Hernandez, 118, decisioned Alfredo Olivera, 117, in 6. Jose Alatorre, 119, decisioned Manolo Rivas, 119, in 4.

▶Hilario Morales, 135, stopped Jose Paredes, 135, in 2. Beto Gonzalez, 136, stopped Chino Gomez, 136, in 10. Chilo Barranco, 126, decisioned Rosendo Martinez, 125, in 8. Chino Castelan, 121, decisioned Jose Alvarez, 125, in 6. Chuy Zulueta, 133, decisioned Victor Guzman, 134, in 4.

BOXING IN YUCATAN

By Eduardo Amer G.

MERIDA, YUC.—Manuel "Negrito" Alcala, 135, beat Mexican flyweight champ Raúl Solís, 134, in six rounds. Agustin "Chico" Argaez, 132, decisioned veteran Carlos Miranda, 134, in six; Antero "Cubanito" González, 123, stopped Rolando Fortiz, 122, in five; Manuel "Baby" Tolosa, who may go far, whipped Baby Vázquez, 111, of Campeche, also in six; Promising Luis Quijano, 121, bested Juan Miranda, 119, in six.

This show was staged at the Circo Teatro Yucateco, which is going to be demolished next month after 60 years of promoting.

BOXING IN JUAREZ

By Manuel Prieto

JUAREZ BULL RING—L. C. Morgan, 140, Youngstown, Ohio, won by K.O. in the fourth over David Cervantes, 144, Mexico City, in a sensational and thrilling fight. Morgan was on the floor and almost out in the first round with a left to the chin. In the fourth round Morgan put Cervantes down for the complete count.

Hilario Correa, 109, San Luis Potosi, former Flyweight Pan-American Champion, made a hit in his pro debut, winning by K.O. in the second round over Mario Moreno, 110, Juarez.

Juan Valles, 135, Juarez, fought a draw with Rafael Dominguez, 137, Juarez in four. Carlos Ayala, 128, Mexico City, won by K.O. in the fourth over Pastor Valdez, 130, Juarez. Faustino ..amora, 122, Juarez, won by K.O. in the first over Adan Diaz, 120, Juarez.

▶JUAREZ AUDITORIUM, Luis Sanchez, 126, Juarez, scored his eigth consecutive win in ten torrid rounds over Manny Coronado, 125, Sonora.

Billy Blanco, 126, Campeche, scored an upset over Ramon Rodriguez, 130, Juarez, winning by T.K.O. in the eight.

In the four rounders, Oscar Tinoco, 130, Juarez, won by K.O. over Javier San Miguel, 130, Juarez, in the first round. Chico Gomez 130, Chihuahua City, had too much savvy for Carlos Ayala, 128, Mexico City, winning decision. Baby Mauro, 137, Mexico City, and Estudiante Rosales, 144, Durango, drew in four.

BOXING IN LIMA, PERU

By Dr. Wilfred Stephenson

BOXING IN LIMA, PERU, SOUTH AMERICA, WHICH for some time past was as dead as a door nail, has been revived. On July 16, in the presence of 15,000 fans, LUISAO IGNACIO, Brazilian middleweight

champion, put up an exhibition of good boxing, ring generalship, and sharp hitting against his opponent, MAURO MINA, the Peruvian champion, in a ten-round bout staged at the National Stadium, and the decision was a draw. It was very unpopular. The Brazilian should have been declared the winner. This was their second fight. In the first Luisao won. It took place at Sao Paulo, Brazil.

In a 10 round semi final bout, Homero Gutierrez, Peruvian welter, scored a TKO over the local champ, Perico Garcia who was down in the third and was saved by the bell and again in the fifth when his seconds tossed in the towel in token of defeat.

LUIS RIVERA, flyweight decisioned RAUL ALCANTARA in 10 rounds; VICTOR CARRILLO kayoed CHARLES PAREDES in 6; and DANIEL MANSILLA outpointed JUSTINO GONZALES in a four rounder.

FROM MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

By Mario LaPlume

PALACIO PENARO: — ROQUE CASTRO, ARGENTINA, KAYOED SAN JOSE DEL PINO, Uruguay, in the second round. Aniceto Pereyra, Uruguay, defeated Roberto Nunez, Argentina, 8; Luis Alberto Rodriguez, Uruguay, and Hector Heredia drew, 10, and Felipe Fuentes, Uruguay, halted Oscar Noce, Argentina, in the third round.

▶Antonio de Britos, Uruguay, stopped Manuel Raposo, Argentina, in the seventh; Ricardo Falech, Argentina, kayoed Alberto Rodriguez, Argentina, in the fourth; Hector Oliva, Argentina, and Isaias Verdun, Uruguay, fought to a draw 6; Jupiter Mansilla Uruguay and Jose Salvatierra also drew in six rounds.

▶Hector Pedro "Bolo Punch" Rodriguez, Uruguay, was held to a surprise draw by Ramon Esquivel, Argentina, 10. Ruben Villar, Uruguay, kayoed Luis Garcia, Argentina, in two; Francisco Sotelo, Argentina, kayoed Ramon Gonzalez, Argentina, in the second and Walter Garin, Uruguay, defeated Juan Gonzalez Levia, Chile, 6.

▶Juan Carlos "Rocky" Rivero, Argentina, kayoed Carlos Piriz Pintado, Uruguay, in the third; Aniceto Pereyra, Uruguay, outscored Simon Rios, Uruguay, 10; Roberto Rebollo, Uruguay, and Luis A. Suarez, Argentina, went six rounds to a draw and Ruben Villar, Uruguay, stopped Santiago Diaz, Argentina, in the fourth.

IN KINGSTON, JAMAICA

By Ken Jones

CHARLEY TOMBSTONE SMITH TOOK A DRUBBING FROM GERALD GRAY before a near capacity house here in a 10 round bout. Smith, scaling 147½, was outclassed. Gray weighed 146. My vote was 55 to 45 for Gray. Promoter Lucien Chen did an excellent job and was rewarded with the biggest gathering we have had in Kingston for a fight.

▶Dominican welter Alfredo Beezar battered Sammy Walker who was outweighed, 149½ to 157½. The referee stopped the fight on the seventh due to the holding tactics employed by the loser.

Bantam Teddy Matthews had his winning streak halted by promising Percival Hales who floored him four times in round one, and scored a kayo. Welter George Douglas took the decision from Herman Wiss in six rounds. The show was staged at Sabina Park.

▶At the Race Course, Panamanian welter Jose Edwin gave Allan Harmon of Jamaica a rough going over. In the eighth the round was halted for five minutes due to a claim of foul by Harmon. Due to the temper of the crowd the decision was delayed by the Commission for a full day when Harmon was declared the winner of the ten rounder.

Percival Hales lost to a more seasoned bantam, Killer Solomon in six rounds. Hugh Serville whipped Lenny Slue in a welter eight rounder and Bunny Grant beat Roy Glaze in 6 in a lightweight bout.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES.—IN LUNA PARK, THE GOOD prospect in the featherweight, Adrian Servin kayoed Juan Ramallo in two.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—The feather champion of Spain, Manolo Garcia, won in ten rounds over Guillermo Mendoza, in "Bristol" Stadium.

▶ROSARIO.—Undefeated featherweight Santos Simili, won in 10 rounds over Juan Carlos Ayala, in the "Norte" stadium.

▶TANDIL.—The bantam champion of Sudamerica, Roberto Castro, won in 10 rounds over Adolfo Pendan.

▶CORDOBA.—Eduardo Lausse, former middleweight champion of Argentina and Sudamerica, won by a T.K.O. in second round over Ramon Perello. The Receipts, 70,182.20 are a record for this city.

▶SANTA FE.—A new champion was crowned for this city in the light division when Juan Gasparrini, won in 10 rounds over Eugenio Baez.

▶LA PLATA.—Cirilo Gil, ex-welter champion of Argentina won by a T.K.O. in 8th round over Francisco Ciucci.

▶VILLA LYNCH.—"Pulgarcito" Julio Buggioni, a good prospect in the fly division, kayoed Emilio Avila in two.

▶TUCUMAN.—The local champion in the welter division, Ramon Paz, kayoed Ramon Arias in three.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—The lightweight of Spain, Fred Galiana, kayoed Rogelio Andre in the fourth.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park Stadium, the veteran lightweight, Angel Olivieri, won on points in ten rounds from Sergio Salvia, champion of Chile.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park Stadium, Hiracio Accavallo, undefeated flyweight, won by a T.K.O. in 5th over Avelino Romero and in the same night, undefeated welterweight Miguel Angel Aguero, won in 10 rounds over Angel Cuello.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—In the "Bristol" Stadium, welterweight Nelson Rizzo kayoed Marcelo Garnica, in five.

▶BERAZATEGUI.—In the "Liberto" club, hard puncher Pedro Benelli, won by a T.K.O. in 4th round over Pedro Arias, of Chile.

▶ROSARIO.—Undefeated welterweight Pedro Almagro, in the "Norte" Stadium, kayoed in second round over Miguel Salteno.

▶CORDOBA.—In the "Cordoba Sport Club", Raul Vargas, "challenger" in the feather division, drew with Aldo Gomboa in 10 rounds.

▶LA PLATA.—In the "Atenas" ring, Alfonso Moreno drew in 10 rounds with Abel White in the welter division.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park ring, in a good performance, Jorge Fernandez, won in 10 rounds over Martiniano Pereyra, the Argentina and Sudamarica champion in the welter division.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park Stadium, Hugo Medina, in the middle division, won the decision in 10 rounds from Esteban Caprani; Alberto Jabid, a good boxer in the welter division, won in 10 over Silvio Frias and Salustiano Suarez, a bantam, won in 10 over Hector Cuello.

▶ROSARIO.—In the "Norte" Stadium, Nelson Rizzo drew in 10 rounds with Raul Roldan.

▶QUILMES.—Alberto Billaflor, welter, won by a T.K.O. in 8th round over Roberto Arturo.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—In the "Bristol" Stadium, Ricardo Gonzalez, Argentina and Sudamerica champion in the feather division, won in 10, over Guillermo Mendoza.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In a very good bout Cirilo Gil, ex-welter champion of Argentina, won in ten over Adalberto Ochoa.

▶LA PLATA.—In the "Atenas" ring, Marcelo Avile, lightweight, won by a T.K.O. in 6th over Raul Lopez, and ex-feather champion of Argentina, Alfredo Bunetta, won in 10 over Anibal Servin.

▶CORDOBA.—In the "Cordoba Sport Club", the lightweight champ of Chile, Sergio Salvia, kayoed Alejandro de la Cruz Martinez, in three.

▶BAHIA BLANCA.—In a new presentation in the "Salon de los Deportes", the feather champion of Spain Manolo Garcia, kayoed Hector Miranda in the third.

▶LA PLATA.—In the "Atenas Club", light-heavyweight Carlos Paiva won by a T.K.O. in 5th over Cayetano Tapia.

▶RIO CUARTO.—In the feather division, good prospect Adrian Servin won in 10 over Luis Diaz.

▶VILLA LYNCH.—In the ring of the "Social Lynch Club", Vicente Derado, lightweight, kayoed Juan Carlos Basualdo in the first.

▶CORDOBA.—The lightweight champion of Argentina, Jaime Gine, kayoed Transito Villagra in the sixth.

▶BAHIA BLANCA.—In the light division, Roque Valenzuela lost in 10 to Guillermo Mendoza.

ADD TO OBREGON NOTES

▶After being sent through the ropes during the first round, Arnoldo Gil, 142, came back to knock out Chilango Rosales, 142, in the ninth round.

Jorge Chavez, 136, stopped Culichi Uriarte, 136, in four rounds. Lucio Flores, 119, kayoed Xicotencatl Kid, 123, in six rounds.

Antonio Gutierrez, 123, kayoed Tony Navarro, 123, in the first round. Jose Acosta, 110, decisioned Kid Veneno, 112, in four.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA

By William Albert

CIUDAD BOLIVAR—IN THE "HEREZ Stadium," Ismael Espana, 150, Venezuelan Champ, and Antonio "Tamakun" Blanco, 148, draw in ten rounds. Armando Torres, 130, kayoed Federico Romero, 130, in the 5th. Modesto Maduro, 126, defeated Oscar Martinez, 128, in six rounds.

▶At Maracaibo—Before a large crowd, Carlos Miranda, 112, of Argentina and Ramon Arias, our Champion, 111, drew in ten rounds.

Andres Selpa, Suramerican Champion, halted Danny Machado in eight rounds. (Middleweights).—Hugo Perez, 135, of Argentina, kayoed Ovidio Almeida, 135, in the 4th.

▶Caracas:—New Venezuelan idol, Ramon Calatayud, won a unanimous ten round decision over Jimmy Abeyta in a sensational bout in the Nuevo Circo. It was his second victory over Abeyta.

Paul Armstead, 135, U.S.A., and Vicente Rivas, 134½, Venezuelan king, drew in ten rounds. Tonny Padron, 130, "Prospect of the Month" in August, continued undefeated, winning over former lightweight champ Luis Barreto in 8 rounds. Cesar "Chivo Negro" Orta, 134, outpointed Hugo Perez in 8. Mexican Alfonso Palma, 115, had an excellent debut here, defeating Pablo Gonzalez, 118, in eight rounds.

▶At Maracaibo:—Evelio Rios, 154, defeated Sugar Boy Nando, 151, of Aruba in ten rounds. This was a good fight. Guillermo "Chicharrita" Medina, 130, stopped Effi Croes in five rounds. Black Bill halted Federico Barrios in 3. Ignacio Cobbi outpointed Rafael Padrino in six (lightweights). Enrique Mitchell kayoed Vicente Lugo in one round (welterweights).

NEWS FROM CUBA

By Dr. Jose A. Vieites

BOXING IN CUBA HAS PICKED UP AGAIN NOW that business is going on as usual. The fans didn't have too many contests during the past three months and because of that, flocked to several shows and filled the arenas to capacity. The Puppy Garcia vs. Angel Robinson Garcia bout drew a gross of $15,287.10 and two others drew $6,000 or more.

▶Cuba's Junior lightweight champ, Angel (Robinson) Garcia, 134½, stopped Mexican Julio Escobedo, 133¾, in the third round. Schoolboy Leyva, 135¼, won easily in 8 from Joaquin Castillo, 135½. Sal Fuentes, 155¾, stopped Osmaro Hernandez, 162, in 5. Angel Chapman, 135, won in 6 from Julian Perez, 130½. Pete La Barrere, 133¾, won in 4 from Isaac Espinosa, 132.

▶Johnny Sarduy, 117½, won easily in 10 from Mexico's Eloy Sanchez, 117½. Carlos Chivas, 135, stopped Rolando Morales, 133, in one. Steve Sanchez, 115, stopped Julio Rojas, 115, also in one. Doug Vaillant, 129¼, stopped Cloro Hernandez, 131, in 4. Herminio Fellobel, 125¼, won in 4 from Inocencio Cartas, 127.

▶Florentino Fernandez, 136½, stopped Alexis Garcia, 136½, in 7. Julian Perez, 133, won in 8 from Angel Chapman, 135¼. Sal Hernandez, 145¼, won in 6 from Julian Yanez, 145½. Rene Garcia, 121½, won in 4 from Rene Arce, 123¾. Pablo Torres, 135, won in 4 from Felix Zaldivar, Kid Gavilan's half brother), 132½, in four.

▶Nardo Parets, 147, stopped Augustin Rosales, 145¾, in 8. Former lightweight king, Fernando Silva, 132¼, stopped Rosario Hernandez, 134¾, in 8 also. Rafael Correa, 111½, won in 4 from Steve Sanchez, 110½. Augusto Narvalle, 124, won in 6 from Carlos Suarez, 122½. Wilfredo Narvalle, 124¾, stopped Luis Gutierrez, 124½, in 5.

▶Before a jammed Sports' City Boxing Arena, Antonio (Puppy) Garcia, 125¼, fought probably the best fight in his career and outgeneraled, outmaneuvered Cuba's Junior Lightweight king Angel (Robinson) Garcia, 127¾, in ten rounds in a sensational fight. Although Puppy won the unanimous decision, Robinson made a real fight out of it.

Felix Suarez, 116½, won in eight from Jose Oliva, 117. Pastor Marrero, 126½, won in 6 from Chris Gonzalez, 125¼. Juan Bacallao, 123, won in 4 from Rene Arce, 125. Manuel Machado, 140½, stopped Rene Casanovas, 140½, in 2.

▶Armando Baragano, 134½, won easily in 12 from Orlando Echevarria, 135, and gained Cuba's lightweight title. Cuba's welter king, Kid Fichique, 147, was upset in ten rounds by the American Negro, Rudell Stitch, 142¾. Doug Vaillant, 130½, stopped Emilio Leferte, 134, in 4. Urtimio Ramos, 125¼, stopped Hector Medina, 127¾, in the 3rd. Luis Regueiras, 113, won in four from Rafael Correa, 110½.

▶ Cuba's flyweight king, Oscar Suarez, was in fine form and easily outpointed Mexico's Ray Ruiz, in ten. Suarez scored a knockdown in the 7th to clinch the unanimous win. Suarez weighed 114¼, Ruiz, 113½. Cuba's bantam king Orlando Reyes, after a 9 month layoff, tired after the 7th, and lost a split tenner to Panamanian bantam king, Edwyn Sykes, 119¼. Reyes came in at 116 pounds.

Julian Perez, 133, won in 6 from Frank Serrano, 129. Pete La Barrere, 132¼, drew in 6 with Isaac Espinosa, 134¼. And, Juan Bacallao, 124¼, won in 4 from Tranquilino Martinez, 125¼. The gate was $6000.

▶ Cuba's Jr. Welter champ, Al (Indian) Bisbe, 139, lost a non-title tenner to Wilfredo Hurst, 139¼. Johnny Sarduy, 118, won easily in 10 from Mexico's Chuy Rodriguez, 116. Huesito Gonzalez, 121¼, won easily in 10 from Luis Gutierrez, 123¼. Rolando Morales, 133, won in 8 from Angel (Taco-Taco) Robinson, 132. Urtimio Ramos, 125½, won in six, from Manuel Perdomo, 125. The show drew close to $4,500.00.

▶ Luis Manuel Rodriguez, 144½, continued undefeated, when he scored over the American, Charley Scott, 144½, stopping him in the 9th. Promising Florentino Fernandez, 136½, stopped the American, Norman Young, 132¾, in the 2nd of another scheduled ten rounder. Sal Hernandez, 146, won in six from Vicente Reyes, 148. Juan Bacallao, 122¾, won in six from Inocencio Cartas, 125¾. Luis Regueiras, 114, stopped Mariano Hernandez, 116, in 4.

▶ Middleweight champion, Baby Linares, 155, was stopped in six rounds by promising, heavy hitting Guillermo Diaz, 151, in a non-title fight. Paul Diaz, 151, stopped Baby Colon, 154¼, in 8. Doug Vaillant, 129¼, stopped Isaac Espinosa, 133, in one. Jose Oliva, 116¼, won in six from Elias Diaz Trejo, 116½. Jose A. Napoles, 125¾, stopped Julio Rojas, 124, in one.

BOXING IN OBREGON
By E. Campillo G

AVELINO FELIX, 120, PACIFIC COAST BANTAM CHAMP, defeated Tony Meza, 125, in 10 rounds.

Borrachito Gonzales, 131, kayoed Ernie Lopez, 134, in two. Monchi Lopez, 131, kayoed Kid Bachomo, 128, in the second round. Tony Cota, 120, was knocked out by Pimpollo Morales, 120, in the first round.

Gaby Peralta, 89, beat Raton Burgueno, 96, in four rounds. The bouts were staged by the Ciudad Obregon Boxing Club.

YVON DURELLE
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"This time I meant to retire for keeps, but my manager, Chris Shabon, was helping a new club get started in Moncton and he told me that if I fought for them it would be a big help to the club. So I decided to give it another try," Yvon recalled.

Yvon closed out 1956 with six straight wins against mediocre foes, except for the veteran Chubby Wright. Last year started off with a trip to Miami Beach where he was stopped on a cut eye by Clarence Hinnant.

"Like most of my fights, I wasn't in too good condition, had little training," he said.

When he returned home he talked it over with Chris and both decided it was time, once and for all, to retire.

"Then an offer came to box Angelo DeFendis at St. Nick's in New York. Of course, I was picked as a soft touch for DeFendis who was being given a big build-up."

However a few days before the fight Angelo became ill and Clarence Floyd was substituted. Floyd and Yvon fought a brawl for five rounds, then Yvon's strength and experience paid off and he stopped Floyd in the seventh round. A few weeks later he faced DeFendis and the turning point of his career was reached.

Knocked down in the first round, Yvon came back to floor Angelo and gain the verdict. He then kayoed Leo Johnson and was matched with British Empire champion Gordon Wallace in Moncton. Durelle belted his old foe out quickly, winning in the second round.

Once again Durelle was picked as a soft touch, this time for Tony Anthony in Detroit. Anthony has just kayoed Chuck Spieser and clinched a title match with Archie Moore.

Tony got off to an early lead, floored Yvon in the seventh and seemed home free. But Durelle rallied in the last three rounds and gave Tony a bad beating in the ninth and tenth, having him on queer street. The verdict was a draw, although many felt the driving finish should have earned him the victory.

The Canuck followed that up with a string of seven straight wins, including five kayos, one over Clarence Hinnant.

Then came the rematch with Anthony. The sound of the bell still echoed around Madison Square Garden when a left to the jaw sent Anthony to the canvas and for the first few rounds it looked like Yvon would add Tony's name to his growing list of victims.

However that early knockdown proved his undoing. Instead of following his pre-fight battle plan of using a steady body attack to wear his man down, Yvon went right hand crazy as he head-hunted for a kayo, thus leaving himself wide open to Tony's sharp counter punchers.

In the sixth round Durelle took a bad beating and was floored. When Tony continued the unslaught in the seventh the fight was stopped and once more Yvon suffered a setback.

Two months later Yvon returned to action with an easy win over Frenchman Germinal Ballarin.

A few weeks ago in Montreal he turned back the title bid of South African champion Mike Holt when his body blows wore down the hard hitting Boer. After both men had hit deck in a wild and wooly slugfest, Durelle gained the victory when Holt could not come out for the ninth round.

Durelle is on the brink of a title fight and there is talk of a match with Moore in Montreal on Oct. 22nd.

Yvon's amazing comeback from the edge of retirement to a championship match ranks with the "Cinderella Stories" of James J. Braddock, Joe Brown and Jersey Joe Walcott.

LOUGHRAN,
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theme of Loughran's talks to Father-and-son gatherings, religious groups, athletic organizations, civic societies, sports dinners, and sundry gatherings everywhere. Averaging two appearances a week, personable Tommy offering himself as exhibit "A" of the benefits of boxing, is a live and vital force in counteracting the propaganda which is constantly directed at the sport.

"Like so many others, what would I have been, what could I have done, without boxing?" asks Tommy, "People wrongly confuse the mistakes of some fighters—which they themselves admit —with boxing itself. I wouldn't have traded my boxing career for anything even, the Presidency of the United States, that's what I think of it."

This is the point that Tommy Loughran tries to get home to his hearers and there are none able to create a better impression as a former ring champion, than the erstwhile "Philly Phantom" who in his later years is a solid symbol of the benefits that boxing can bring to one who follows it as a career, with intelligence and judgment.

LEFTS THAT WERE ALMOST RIGHT
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a one-sided decision in fifteen rounds.

Incidentally, those Leonard-Tendler meetings—the first promoted by Tex Rickard, the second by Jimmy Johnston —established statistics that still remain as all-time highs in lightweight competition. The two bouts drew total paid admissions of 113,204 and gross receipts of $820,510.

BOXING IN SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

ON A CARD FEATURING LOCAL TALENT, promoted by Dr. W. Foune, Little Pancho kayoed Fighting Jamal in the eighth round of the main event. They are flyweights.

Chua Gim Leng outpointed Boy Nicholas in an eight round flyweight contest. Kong Foo iced Fighting Goh in the third round. They are bantamweights. Kwang Seng kayoed Wee Kee in the second round of a bantamweight bout.

Young Samat bested Sonny Chan over four frames while Katong Kid stopped Terry Hussein in the first. All flyweights.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By Hugh Shannon

DEWEY MICHAELS OF THE FAIRVIEW CLUB is the only licensed promoter in Buffalo at the present. Tommy Lippes of the Hudson club did not renew his license.

A new club—the Arena A.A. Inc. may start up some time in October or November. The Niagara Frontier group quit last year.

▶ **HERE AND THERE** . . . Veteran Courier-Express sports writer . . . Bill Coughlin passed away on Aug. 7. He was in the middle sixties. Coughlin served 30 years under the late Bill Kelly and about six under Jack Laing who succeeded Kelly.

▶ **Wrestling**—Pedro Martinez will stage wrestling shows at Memorial Auditorium every Friday night. Pedro gets going again in late August. He can be addressed at 300 Main street, Buffalo.

Jack Singer, Jr., is doing well with his big gymnasium at 338 Washington Street. Singer keeps his training place open the year around and looks for a busy indoor season in 1958-59.

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

FEATURE

By BOB ALLEN

WHEN we read an item the other day that homing pigeons had been used to carry film of the Indianapolis 500-mile classic to various television studios, we were reminded of a boxing incident involving homing pigeons.

It was back in 1937. Joe Louis had just beaten Jimmy Braddock for the heavyweight title and was signed to make his first defense against Tommy Farr, of Tonypandy, Wales. Came the day of Farr's arrival in New York and a whole boatload of newspapermen and photographers sailed down the Bay to meet him and interview him aboard the Brittania.

One of the boxing scribes was the late Hype Igoe, famed writer-cartoonist of the New York Journal-American. This enterprising newspaper had a flock of trained homing pigeons and mighty valuable they were in carrying copy from shipboard to the newspaper office, a tactic which enabled the Journal-American to "beat" the opposition.

On the night before Farr's arrival Igoe took home with him to Bayside, L. I., a cage containing two homing pigeons. Early the next morning he joined his fellow boxing writers aboard a special cutter to meet the Brittania. There followed a long interview with Farr after which Igoe quickly wrote his story on thin paper, carefully inserted the copy into tiny tubes attached to the birds' legs and jubilantly released the pigeons to the skies.

A few hours later when the boat docked, Igoe rushed to the nearest newsstand to buy a Journal-American, confidently expecting to see his story in bold black type. Alas, not a line. Seems the homing pigeons flew back to Bayside, L. I., instead of to the offices of the Journal-American.

Ray Robinson sponsors a Little League baseball team on which his son, Ray Jr., is an infielder. Papa Ray is very proud of young Ray's baseball talents but it is questionable whether the Little Leaguers have much regard for young Ray's dad, especially when he undertakes to umpire one of their games. As Sugar Ray himself tells the story:

"One day these kids were giving me a real rough time and they squawked on almost every call I made. On one play I called a kid out on a close play at home. He gave me a real dirty look, started to walk away, then turned around and said, 'Sugar Ray, Basilio must have hit you too hard in that last one'."

Although there have been a number of deaf mute boxers, only one—Mario D'Agata of Italy—ever won a world title. The appearance of D'Agata in a San Francisco ring reminded Eddie Muller, of the S. F. Examiner, of another deaf-mute fighter who was well known on the Pacific Coast.

He was known as Dummy Mahan, a pretty fair middleweight who boxed under the management of Fred Winson, one of the early Jack Dempsey managers. Late in the 1920's Mahan was persuaded to parachute from an airplane on the theory that this might aid in restoring his hearing. The stunt proved tragic, however. Mahan was killed when the parachute failed to open.

When Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of Ring Magazine, visited Houston, Texas, recently for the Brown-Lane lightweight title fight, he was told that Ring's listing of Paul Jorgensen as No. 2 among world featherweights made Nat a hero in Texas second only to Sam Houston himself.

The refusal of Cleveland Williams, Texas heavyweight, to go through with a Dick Richardson fight in London because of "mystic messages" advising him against boxing on the scheduled date reminded boxing men of the time Primo Carnera was slated to meet Big Boy Brackey in Buffalo.

The promoter, Charley Murray, had all his posters out, his tickets printed and on sale. Then one day Brackey told Murray he could not box on the night scheduled. Murray was furious but Brackey would not budge from his stand. Murray demanded an explanation.

"My girl friend tells me the horoscope says that is a bad night for me. It says people born during the week you've got the fight scheduled should not engage in major enterprises since it could lead to disaster."

Murray pleaded with Brackey to change his mind, pointing out that the prediction could just as easily apply to Carnera. But Brackey would not be convinced. The bout had to be postponed two weeks. Brackey was knocked out in the fourth round.

Bob Collins, writing in the Indianapolis Star, says the Joe Louis-Jack Roper title bout in '39 "has outlasted all challengers as history's worst championship fight." This, of course, is a matter of opinion but we wonder if Mr. Collins remembers Louis-Paychek, or the second Marciano-Jersey Joe Walcott fight, or the second Louis-Conn meeting—to name just a few that stack up pretty good with Louis-Roper.

The year 1958 may go down in sports history as the year of the Brooklyn Dodgers, Silky Sullivan, and Pete Rademacher.

It could be that Jack Drees, Wednesday Night Fights announcer, is too young to remember Maxie Berger. But during the date 30's and early 40's this Canadian lad did a great deal of boxing in the New York area, often sold out the Bronx Coliseum, and even boxed Ray Robinson at Madison Square Garden. Berger lives in Montreal and refereed the recent Yvon Durelle-Mike Holt fight. Drees kept referring to him as Max Berger, never once mentioned his boxing career.

The California Athletic Commission has permanently retired Jimmy Carter, former lightweight champion, from ring competition. The same commission recently took similar action against Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson. One thing about this California commission—when it retires a boxer he stays retired. The same is true of the present New York Commission as in the case of Willie Pep who is banned in the Empire State. This wasn't always the case, however, and we can remember a previous commission which retired Jake LaMotta and it lasted all of six months. A one-time New Jersey commission retired Jersey Joe Walcott as being "washed up." Jersey Joe didn't take kindly to this view, resumed boxing and went on to become the heavyweight champion of the world.

A fight manager's quote: "When you stay in this business long enough you have nothing to look forward to but revenge."

Playing summer stock in the Pocono Mountains, Lou Nova is billed in a Scranton, Pa., newspaper as a "Gentleman of Wit." And don't think Nova can't be funny. Why we remember Joe Louis bursting into laughter—right in the middle of the fourth round of Nova's fight with Louis for the heavyweight championship.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

ALTHOUGH it was the closed season there was still plenty of activity around and about, particularly in Italy and Spain. Heinz Neuhaus was knocked out in Sweden by Johansson but this defeat hardly affects his standing among the rest of Continental heavies. The Jimmy King stable of fighters continued to wreak havoc generally, though Charlie Douglas met more than his match in Duilio Loi. The Italian had Douglas on the verge of a kayo but laid off in his usual inexplicable way, allowing the American to go the distance. Visintin must be acknowledged as the best welter in Europe by trouncing Garbelli while the latter made an immediate comeback as a middleweight, drawing with Drille. The promotor's war continues in Milan with the result that public interest is waning, though Italy is alive with boxing prospects.

▶ Gothenburg, Sweden. — The European heavyweight champion, Ingemar Johansson, emerged from his shell for the second time this year, to accept battle with Heinz Neuhaus, who is no doubt the most effective of current German heavies. A crowd of 15,000 attended the Ullevi Football Stadium to watch Ingo, 197, tackle the experienced German, who came in at 218.

Halfway through the fourth round, the Swede ripped home a telling right to Heinz's mid-section which flung the visitor to the canvas for "9". Grimly shaking his head, Neuhaus clambered to his feet to barge straight into a Johansson barrage, swapping punch for punch until Ingo flashed over a mighty right hook which crashed on the German's chin and felled him like an oak. Despite repeated attempts, Neuhaus was unable to get his legs to push him into a vertical position before the end of the count. Thus, Johansson had rid himself of a dangerous foe.

Törner Ahsman looked good against Ossi Büttner, who has had considerably more experience in the paid ranks and dropped the German heavy during the fourth frame. But Büttner came back to finish strongly and appeared to have done enough to earn a draw. The verdict went to Ahsman.

A third German, Alfred Schweer, was equally unlucky in his return clash with Lejf Wadling, who copped a points victory after a rather poor feathers contest.

Big event of the program was the debut of Lennart Risberg, called the Swedish Jack Dempsey in his amateur days. The hard-hitting artilleryman did quite well to defeat the hitherto unbeaten French cruiser, Jacques Dufreney, in his first paid bout. Two bantam slams completed the program, with Hungarian refugee Lajos Flesser splitting the decision with Stan Sobolak of France and Werner Wasen, former amateur star, trimming Louis Oberto of France via the points route. All supporting bouts were over six rounds.

▶ Geneva, Switzerland.—One of the most dangerous lightweights in Europe is doubtless that battler from Senegal, Epiphane Akono, who treated the local fans to a fine display of boxing and hitting when he triumphed over the game English battler, Johnny Mann. Akono threw across the finisher during the sixth round. Mann later declared that he is retiring from the sport.

▶ Genoa, Italy.—What might be called an unofficial European title bout took place, though officially only the Italian welter title was at stake, when Giancarlo Garbelli tangled with Bruno Visintin. Both fighters have moved up from the lightweight division, where Duilio Loi rules with all too firm a hand. Visintin fought an intelligent battle, and wound up by winning over twelve rounds by an appreciable margin. As a result, Garbelli has decided to move up yet one grade higher—into the middles brigade.

On the same bill, Ted "Farmer" Wright bowled over yet another victim, Michel Francois, who was counted out in the sixth round of another welter contest. Ted is almost out of opposition in Europe.

Ottavio Panunzi won over Bruno Fortilli when the latter was ruled out in the third round of a cruiser slam and Joe Rafiu King, the popular Nigerian feather, stopped Giuseppe Mangiarelli in the fifth round. Uwe Janssen, something of a Fancy Dan in style, was rudely shaken up by the solid punching of Sante Amoni, who dropped the German three times before halting him in the sixth and last round.

▶ St. Vincent, Italy.—It was tough luck for Sandro D'Ottavio that he should suffer a fracture to his right forearm in his title-bout with Rocco Mazzola. The former cruiser champ looked good for two rounds but then found his right arm was useless and suffered a pounding from Mazzola's fierce hooks. The bout was halted at the end of the third round.

Roberto Spano beat Sylvano Petrangeli over ten rounds in a semi-final for the national flyweight title and Bigioggero scored an unpopular win over Ezio Donaggio in a heavies eight.

▶ At Grosseto, Massimo Zanaboni edged a fraction up the ladder by defeating the Belgian heavyweight champ, Alain Cherville, over ten rounds.

▶ Paris.—At the Salle Wagram, Charley Douglas added to his laurels by soundly whipping René Barriere in a lively ten-rounder. It should be added that Barriere is in fact a natural featherweight, Douglas a lightweight. René Libeer, promising bantam comer, whipped Robert Lallemand over eight rounds, while Jules Lambour nodded Robert Gillet in a welter eight.

▶ Barcelona, Spain.—Francesco Carreno, the excellent local flyweight, did very well to outpoint Guy Schatt of France in a fast ten here. The Spaniard took every round. On the same bill, Juan Cardenas made no impression by stopping the medicore French bantam novice, Simon Carnazza, in five rounds and in a feathers eight, Merayo won over another Frenchman, Mansour.

▶ Casablanca, Morocco.—Charles Humez had vainly sought around Europe for an opponent who might give him a warm-up prior to his scheduled title-defense against Hans Wohlers of Germany. Opposition was scarce but finally Tuzo Portuguez offered his services. The Costarican is no longer the fighter of yore, though strong and tough as ever. He had no problems to offer the Eupropean middles champ and did the duty of punching-bag for Humez until the bout was stopped in the seventh round, after Tuzo had taken several counts.

▶ Bilbao, Spain.—The national cruiser title has seldom been in worse hands than those of Bautista Navarro, who has been flattened by all foreign opponents. It must have been some relief to Spaniards who care about such things when Vicente Echeverria finally deposed Navarro, stopping him in the twelfth and final round. The new champ is no youngster and saw his best days as a welter campaigning around the American Mid-west.

▶ In Madrid.—Francisco Ortega came back to stop Gomez Villar in the third heat of a middles argument and José Villardel licked Gil Suarez, the Catalan welter king, over eight. Veteran Kid Daniel laced Jean Ruiz in a welter eight.

▶ Cagliari, Italy.—Piero Rollo settled himself firmly into challenger's position by clearly outscoring the French champion, Eugene Le Cozanet, in a good bantam ten here. Fortunato Manca edged out a very close decision from Imberto Vernaglione and Paolo Melis nodded Claude Lepleige, French welter, over eight. Salvatore Boi retired at the end of the sixth round in his middles bout with Remo Carati, official challenger for the Italian title.

▶ Granville, France.—A promising addition to the flyweight ranks is Pierre Rossi, aged 26, who did well as an amateur. He added to his fame by whipping Christian Marchand here over ten rounds.

▶ Madrid, Spain.—Antonio Diaz returned to action by beating the modest French Moroccan, Moncef Fehri, over ten pounds. José Luis Martinez bested young Ricardo Navarro in a feathers eight and Domingo Lopez was too experienced for Garcia Hidalgo in a cruiser eight. Chato Ramos, speedy lightweight from the Canary Isles, trimmed Girolamo Licatesi of France over eight.

▶ Naples, Italy.—Although Charley Douglas had built himself something of a rep in France, he proved to be no match for Duilio Loi when they met at the foot of Vesuvius. Loi won as he pleased in 10 rounds.

Ted Wright banged out Brahim Kettani in the opening round of a welter clash and Massimo Zanaboni proved his worth by halting game Uber Bacilieri in the sixth round of a heavies slam. Tony Borraccia outdistanced the Spanish feather, José Crespo, over eight rounds.

▶ Monzo, Italy.—The visiting German middle, Helmut Höhmann, put up a good fight against local matador Dante Madella but failed to catch the ref's eye and lost out over eight rounds. Gerhard Moll was likewise unlucky, though Ernesto Ballabio was the better man and won deservedly in a welter eight.

▶ In Florence.—Nedo Stampi shared honors with Franco Nenci in a lightweight eight

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(MONTH ENDING AUGUST 21, 1958)

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
2. Willy Besmanoff (G)	Willie Hoepner (G)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Emilio Marconi (I)
3. Mino Bozzano (I)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)
4. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Max Resch (G)	Stefan Redl (G)
5. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
6. Bruno Scarbellin (I)	Charles Colin (F)	Andre Drille (F)	Ben Buker II (S)
7. Albert Westphal (G)	Dieter Wemhoner (G)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)	Seraphin Ferer (F)
8. Ulli Ritter (G)	Sante Amonti (I)	Michel Diouf (F)	Chris Christensen (D)
9. Mario De Persio (I)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Leen Jansen (H)	Maurice Auzel (F)
10. Massimo Zanaboni (I)	Uwe Janssen (G)	Peter Muller (G)	Chico Santos (P)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Lahouri Godih (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Robert Pollazon (F)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Jose Ogazon (S)
4. Fred Galiana (S)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Francisco Carreno (S)
5. Felix Chiocca (F)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Edgar Basel (G)
6. Fernand Nollet (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Eugene Le Cozanet (F)	Jean Guerrard (F)
7. Epiphane Akono (F)	Louis Poncy (F)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
8. Guy Gracia (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Ben Ali (S)
9. Piet van Klaveren (H)	Andre Valignat (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Andre Gasperini (F)
10. Germano Cavalieri (I)	Letterio Petilli (I)	Antonio Diaz (S)	Rene Libeer (F)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland: I Italy; P Portugal; S Spain; SW Sweden.

▶ Milan, Italy.—Real star of the show put on here by promotor Cecchi was undoubtedly Mario Vecchiatto, handsome lightweight flash from Udine who has come along like a house afire during the past year. Mario clashed with the highly-rated Dutchman, Piet Van Klaveren, who gave Loi two tough bouts recently. Against Vecchiatto the Dutchman had no chance. The fierce slamster from Northern Italy belted the visitor unmercifully and had his man on the floor five times during fourth round. The one-sided fray was halted in the next heat.

The King of Upsets, Alex Buxton, was unable to pull off any of his countless tricks against Rocco Mazzola, who won this cruiser ten by a comfortable margin and Giancarlo Garbelli made a successful debut in the middleweight line-up by holding André Drille to a draw after ten hard rounds.

Sergio Milan likewise shared the honors with tough little René Barriere in a torrid feathers eight. The 10,000 gate was not sufficient to make the evening a financial success but Cecchi is forced to put on his own programs while there exists a breach between him and the big Milan organizers.

▶ Barcelona, Spain.—The German bantam champ, Edgar Basel, made a successful Spanish debut by trouncing Antonio Lopez Durban well and truly via the points route, at the Gran Price. On the same bill, Horst Borzoskowski lost a debatable decision to Francisco Frances in a middles eight.

▶ Bastia, Corsica.—Gracieux Lamperti gave a good exhibition of boxing to his fellow-countrymen here when he soundly whipped the Belgian feather, Aimé Devisch, over ten rounds. He dropped Devisch twice in the second round, but on the last occasion the visitor was saved by the gong. As usual, Devisch showed great pluck and determination and weathered another beating in the seventh round without visiting the canvas.

▶ Bologna, Italy.—That irrepressible globe-trotter, Tanny Campo, is still active in Europe, though no longer making the impact of his best days. He was declared loser here against the young feathers prospect, Ray Nobile, who recently beat Polidori in an upset affair.

Umberto Vernaglione regained some lost prestige by trouncing Joseph N'Gan of France in a good welter eight while Vittorio Stagni, who appears to have the makings of a good heavyweight, stopped Ezio Donaggio in four. Remo Carati won well over Mohamed Taibi, stopping the Algerian with a cut eye in the seventh heat of their middles debate and Elio Busetto lost narrowly to Algerian lightie Ahcene Attar in a good eight-rounder.

▶ Anzio, Italy.—Local lightheavy with a redoubtable punch is Giulio Rinaldi, who recently stopped Uwe Janssen. His latest victim was Tino Albanese, who was counted out in the opening round.

▶ Malaga, Spain.—At the local Bullring, two old foes tangled once more when Bobby Ros met up with José Manrique in an eight-round lightweight battle which was very evenly fought, with Ros copping the verdict.

Juan Cardenas was again in action, knocking out Juanito Segura in a bantam clash while Ricardo Gonzalez was held to a draw by the Basque puncher, Desosa, in a feathers six. Arcas put the skids under the Madrileno, Josan, in a flyweight affair.

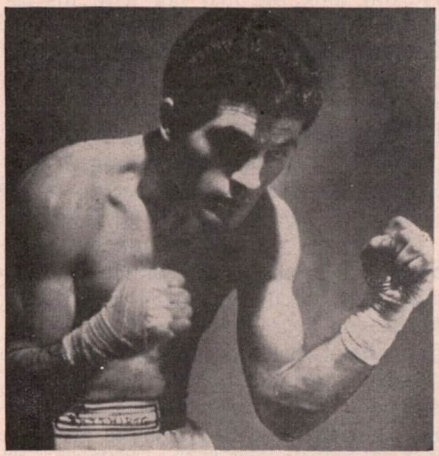
▶ At Saragossa.—José Luis Martinez stopped Clemente Diaz in the fourth round of a feathers fray.

▶ Rome, Italy.—The big attraction at the Foro Italico was the clash between Ted Wright and Ireland's Paddy Graham. Unfortunately, Graham was battered from pillar to post in the first two rounds and his second slung in the towel during the interval. The ref tried to get Graham to fight on for the third round but Paddy decided to sit that one out.

Mino Bozzano looked good against Emile Vidal until the French heavy slammed across a series of hefty clouts to the Italian's chin. This shook Bozzano considerably and he cut loose with both hands. Vidal fought bravely but the bout was stopped in the sixth round owing to his badly gashed forehead.

Joe Rafiu King banged away at Altidoro Polidori's mid-section until the Italian decided to retire in the sixth round while Dom Baccheschi out-fought Ahmed Boulgroune in a cruiser eight. Both fighters were badly cut after a collision of heads in the second round of the bantam scrap between Ugo Milan and Bertini, which led the ref to declare it "No Contest".

▶ Neuvy, France.—Three German visitors were honorably defeated here by a reception committee of local fistic stars.



Mario Vecchiato, the Italian lightweight flash from Udine, dropped the highly-rated Dutchman, Piet Van Klaveren, five times in fourth round and stopped him in fifth at Milan.

Albert Müller fought well against Tony Garcia, Spanish-born lightweight, and appeared to have deserved at least a draw after ten fast rounds. The verdict went to Tony. Klaus Miska lost out to Ahmed Sebane in a good welter eight and Josef Frankreiter, who fights out of Luxembourg, lost to Babes in a feathers six.

▶ Vienna, Austria.—All attempts to get boxing popularized in the City of Waltzes seem doomed to failure, always due to either bad matchmaking or poor performances by Austrian top-liners. Max Schmeling was brought to the big Haymarket hall to operate as third man and Max's name was probably the attraction that brought 8,000 fans to the hall. Karl Machain was in the main spot and could only gain a draw against crude Louis De Bolster of Belgium in a heavyweight eight marred by holding back, clinching and fumbling.

Ziyaris Taki won a close one over rugged Bruno Burlovich, the Italian Croat from Trieste, in a dandy welter eight while Poldi Bauer returned after several years' absence to knock out Emil Zangl, Germany, in the second heat of a cruiser slam.

Bruno Polet, promising feather from Italy, was far too good for Stefan Schweitzer and iced the Viennese in the sixth. Salvatore Sanna won over a Yugoslav novice, Branko Sekulic, when the latter retired for no reason at all during the fourth round of a welter bout which he was winning.

▶ Madrid, Spain.—Robert Pollazon, the hitherto unbeaten French flyweight king, met his first defeat when he tackled wily Young Martin for the latter's European title at the Bullring. A crowd of 27,000 turned up to watch Martin in action, proving that he has lost no affection by that shattering kayo at the hands of Pascual Perez. Martin won by an appreciable distance in the 15 round bout.

▶ In Barcelona.—Edgar Basel suffered the second defeat of his professional career when he was narrowly outscored by Francisco Carreno, the strong Catalan flyweight champion. Horst Borzoskowski met up with Francisco Frances once again and was declared loser after a hard middleweight eight. The decision did not meet with the approval of the crowd.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

NEW BEDFORD—Sargent Field—Rugged Jimmy Kelly, 133, Lowell, proved his kayo win over Jimmy Connors, 129, New Bedford, on St. Patrick's Day in Boston was no fluke when he repeated the win in one less round before Connors' hometown fans. Kelly was too strong for his rival and stopped him in the fifth round. Connors was on the floor in the first round and three times in the fifth when he was counted out in 2:40 after being tagged with a right cross to the chin.

Joe DeNucci, 161, Newton, needed only 15 seconds and one punch to kayo Joe Greene, 166, Brooklyn, in the first round of the eight round semi-final. Nick Previti, 136, South Boston, continued to be impressive when he scored a four round decision over veteran Al Duarte, 142, South Dartmouth. Denny Goslow, 154, Worcester, decisioned Mike DeFeo, 149, Brighton, in a four rounder, and in the opener of the same distance, Manny Burgo, 147, New Bedford, outpointed Johnny Bradley, 141, New York.

▶ ATHOL—Memorial Hall—Former world's featherweight champion Willie Pep, 128½, Hartford, Conn., toyed with an outclassed Bobby Soares, 124, Providence, R. I., for ten rounds to win an easy decision. Soares aspiring for a bit of fame several times caught Pep with looping punches. Pep refused to become riled and continued to enjoy the benefit of the workout.

Gordon Parker, 136, Athol, blasted Richie Graham, 136, Roxbury, out of the picture in a couple of heats. It was the first time Parker, a kayo puncher, had been able to unload his bombs before the homefolk. Tommy Garrow, 137½, Claremont, N. H., continued his winning ways by stopping Myrel Olmstead, 131½, Springfield, in the fourth round. Young Beau Jack, 163, Dorchester, loped home with an easy six round victory over Lee Williams, 162, Roxbury.

▶ NORWOOD—Arena—Willie Pep, 128½, Hartford, moved closer to his coming bout with featherweight champion Hogan (Kid) Bassey, by scoring one of the easiest decisions he has ever won. His unfortunate opponent was Bobby Bell, 133, billed as from Elmira, N. Y. Bell had been a top rated ringman and had been expected to prove an acid test for the aging Pep. Wily Willie won all ten rounds for a complete rout.

Al Duarte, 141½, South Dartmouth, became an unexpected winner over Gordon Parker, 137, Athol, when the latter injured his left shoulder in the first round and had to stop in the second. Tom McNeeley, 202½, Arlington, turned pro by stopping Richie Norden, 195, Stamford, Conn., in the second round of a sixer. Paul Stivaletta, 145¾, Dedham, stopped Al Fields, 154½, Roxbury, in 49 seconds of the first round. Johnny Gagliardi, 153½, Medford, beat Mike DeFeo, 149½, Brighton, in four rounds. Goldie Gomez, 158¾, Dorchester, required 31 seconds of the first round to dispose of Billy Reid, 158, Providence, R. I.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

You often hear of athletes who have outlived their usefulness in the sport of their choosing and find it rather difficult to make the necessary adjustment afterwards. However, through the efforts of several Detroit business and sportsmen led by Nick Thimmesch, of Time Magazine Inc., retired heavyweight Johnny Summerlin has been given a real boost. Summerlin has been appointed to the Detroit Department of Parks and Recreation, and beginning on October 1st, Johnny will become a boxing instructor for the city, working at various recreation centers throughout the city.

There was a day not so long ago when Henry Hank couldn't get a break and he did all his boxing inside of a gym. When matches were made he was overlooked, despite his potentiality. Today talent is scarce and the hard punching Hank is finally being given a chance to display his wares. Heading a car at Jefferson Beach Ballroom, Hank, 158¾, was given a soft touch in Joe Fusco, 157¾, New York, in what was billed as a ten rounder. After a couple rounds of dilly-dallying around, Hank went to work and had the over-matched Fusco in pitiful condition when referee Johnny Weber stopped the one-side affair at 2:11 of the third round.

In the six-round semi-final attraction, Gene Gresham, 138¼, Detroit, boxed too well for his local rival Virgil Sled, 135½, in winning every round on all three officials score cards.

Ducky Dietz, 169¾, Detroit, got off the deck when it looked like finis for the local glamour boy, to stop Chuck Simmons, 179½, Detroit, with a series of powerful left hooks at 2:48 of the first round. Dietz has crushing power, but a weak defense. Should he ever overcome the latter before he is eventually overmatched, he could develop into a tremendous drawing card.

Irish Billy Collins, 144½, Nashville, Tenn., boxed too well and punched too sharp for Virgil Williams, 150, Detroit, scoring a KO at 2:14 of the fourth round. In the opener, Dave Shoulders, 193, Detroit, scored an impressive two round knockout at :54 over Leroy Duez, 208, Detroit.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES. . . . The Mott Foundation, The Flint Board of Education, and the Flint Journal will sponsor the second annual "Flint Olympic Games," a series of athletic events for persons residing in Genesse County. An entry of well over 100 boxers is expected for this year's meeting. Champions of each division will then be paired off against the Hamilton, Ontario titlist in what is to be called "The Canusa Games".

TEXAS WRESTLING
By "Texas" Bob Utter

For several weeks prior to the match, Promoter Morris Sigel was constantly hounded by a number of fans wanting, and some demanding, that he bring in Keomuka to face Gomez as they felt Pepper would give the Hawaiian a shellacking he would never forget. It is believed by Houstonians that Keomuka has caused more men to retire from wrestling than any other man in the cauliflower profession. His famed judo claw hold is treacherous. This, combined with straight judo, has made him a feared man inside the roped square.

Gomez, a 205 pound speedster from Los Angeles, Calif., made the mistake of issuing a challenge to Keomuka saying that his stomach muscles would prevent the Duke from getting the claw on him. Pepper also stated that he could use the claw as well as Keomuka.

As far as actual wrestling went in the match, there were only about four or five standard holds used. Gomez won the first fall in 16:48, but in doing so, was cut about the face until his features resembled a piece of raw meat. The second fall went to the 218 pound Keomuka over Gomez, Referee Otto Kuss and about four ring seconds. Before winning the fall, Keomuka punished Gomez severely making it impossible for him to come out for the third and deciding frame. The fire cracker was set off when Keomuka jumped Gomez' manager, Blackie Guzman, and Referee Kuss, who was trying to protect Gomez from further injury. Spectators started swarming the ring but an alert Auditorium police force prevented what could have resulted in serious injury to hundreds of people.

The undercard action saw the tag tandem of John Tolos, 220, Montreal, Canada, and Gentleman Gene Darval, 235, Nice France, team beat the duo of Pierre LaSalle, 229, Montreal, Canada, and Jack Curtis Jr., Vicksburg, Tenn., in a one-fall semifinal scrap.

Other bouts went to El Medico, 230, of Mexico City, the Texas heavyweight champion, over Tarzan Zorro, 225, Paris, France, in a bout which saw the latter being unmasked at the end.

Irma Gonzalez, 133, Guernavaco, Mexico, defended her Mexican championship by defeating The Masked Lady, 135, Mexico City, while Col. Stu Gibson, 240, Louisville, Ky., and Joe Pizzatola, 218, Houston, grappled to a stalemate in the opener.

WRESTLING IN THE SOUTHWEST
By Peg Colwell

Over 6,000 excited fans (the largest crowd to ever assemble for any event at the Civic Auditorium in Albuquerque), watched Dick Hutton successfully defend his World's Heavyweight crown against former champion Lou Thesz. Hutton took the first fall with his favorite, the abdominal stretch. Thesz bounced back to take the second fall with a flying scissors and a body press. As Thesz attempted an airplane spin, Hutton grabbed the top rope and catapulted to the floor. The enraged fans loudly protested as Referee Ben Sherman disqualified Thesz for the move.

To round out the evening's card, Suni War Cloud used a cradle hold to take the match over Al Torrez. Alex Perez won over Jerry Woods, who was disqualified for throwing Perez over the top rope. Juan Garcia was awarded the win over Rip Hawk. Garcia used an abdominal stretch to cinch the first fall and time ran out before either man could accomplish another fall.

Bad weather delayed Dick Hutton's arrival into the Duke City. To fill in at least part of the 90 minutes delay in the start of the title match, Promoter Mike London gave the patiently waiting crowd an added tag team match between Juan Garcia and Alex Perez and the "Atomic Blonds", Rip Hawk and Jerry Woods. Each team had a fall when the match turned into a full fledged riot and Referee Sherman declared it "No Contest."

The Rock Mountain Championship belt changed ownership recently as Rip Hawk from Toledo, Ohio, dethroned Cyclone Anaya from Mexico City.

Al Torres, still going strong in the area, is meeting and defeating such wrestlers as Tokyo Joe, Kurt Von Poppenheim and Jerry Woods. Newest comer to the area is Alex Perez of Amarillo, Texas, whose clean cut wrestling along with his ability to "mix it up" when necessary, is fast becoming a popular favorite.

Latest young bombshell to explode in Dallas, Texas, is 23 year old Dick Steinborn, from Orlando, Fla. Weighing 218, he is following in the footsteps of his father, the famed strongman grappler, Milo Steinborn. In his first four appearances Dick defeated Gentleman Gene Darval and Mad Man Martin, and held John Tolas and the ever popular Larry Chene to a draw.

After taking the Texas Tag Team title from Johnny Valentine and Rip Rogers, Larry Chene and Pepper Gomez dropped the title to John Tolas and Duke Keomuka.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RESULTS
By Frank Mott

Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif.

Nature Boy Buddy Rogers, who boasted over local TV that he could beat anything and anyone in So. Cal., did just that on the Olympic Auditorium mat. In a handicap match, the bad blond tossed both German villian Fritz Von Goering and Hank Metheny in less than an hour.

Hollywood Legion Stadium. Hollywood, Calif. Pepper Gomes, who has made quite a name for himself in rough and tumble Texas matches, flew in to meet Billy Varga at Hollywood Legion. With chicken wire enclosing the wrestlers, Varga had no chance at the ropes, and fans were sure Gomez would win. Such was not the case. Thrown out of the ring, Gomez could not get back in the ring over the chicken wire and the match was awarded to Varga.

Promoting the matches at Hollywood Legion now is Hardy Kruskamp, of Corona Del Mar, California. Not only does Hardy promote at the Hollywood Legion but also at the Long Beach Auditorium. And one of the most hated villians on local mats is none other than "Skull" (Hardy) Kruskamp.

Wrestling workouts are now being telecast in the Los Angeles area. These workouts are on Sat. afternoon and are open to the public. Names such as Varga, Darnell, Rogers and others are featured.

THE SOUTH
By Gene Gordon

George Becker and Mike Clancy are the new Southern States Tag Team Champions. They won the title from Mr. Moto and Duke Keomuka in Charlotte. In other bouts on the same card The Great Bolo continued his winning streak by defeating Tony Martinelli, Hans Schnable pinned Dick Steinborn, and Jim Austeri bested Jesse James. A recent Columbia, S. C. card promoted by Henry Marcus, 2,800 fans saw Don Eagle, Dick Steinborn, and George Becker win over Mr. Moto, Duke Keomuka and Sugi in a terrific six man tag team go.

Moto took the first fall with Judo Chops over Steinborn, but Don Eagle came back to take the second fall over Keomuka with his famed jumping arm lock. Becker pinned Sugi with a back stretch in the third. The Great Bolo pinned Billy Two Rivers and Hans Schnable beat Jesse James (Chris Poppas) in the opening bout.

Atlanta wrestling fans really enjoy some terrific bouts on Friday nights. A popular fellow in Atlanta now is Ronnie Etchison who is fast climbing the ladder of wrestling success. His Giant Swing is a very effective hold and it has won the young St. Joseph, Mo. wrestler many bouts. Others recently appearing in Atlanta have been Ray Gunkel, Don Lee, Jack Dillon, Rocco Columbo, Kurt Von Browner, and Don McIntyre.

Recent results from Knoxville, Tenn., Fred Blossie and Dick Beyer were victors over their grudge opponents, Frank Jares and Mighty Atlas. Len Rossi took a win over Ken Kenneth of New Zealand in the semi-final with dropkicks.

TEXAS

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300 "sports" arrived on the 3:30 in Langtry, they found 26 Texas Rangers on the scene, with orders to prevent a fight on US soil.

The "sports" had ridden 16 hours in day coaches. They were tired. But little did they realize how really tired they were going to get before the day was out.

Convinced that the fight could not be held in Texas, Bean led the suckers across the prairie, down a rocky road to the Rio Grande. There they crossed a ricketty pontoon bridge, into Mexico.

The river was swollen from heavy rains, so the suckers arrived in Mexico soaked and muddied, but still determined.

On the Mexican side Stuart had set up a ring in a small canvas "arena." By now it was fairly dark, so Stuart's dream of riches from the movies—kinetoscopes, they called them—died.

Well, when it came to shelling out $20, a lot of the "sports" demurred. Only 182 of them paid their way in, and what they saw they never forgot. A sickly hoax, if the ring ever saw one.

CHOYNSKI PUT JOHNSON OUT IN SHORT ORDER

There you have the story of the Langtry Epic. Three years later, a Negro fighter named Johnson began to attract attention in Galveston. He was too ambitious. He was matched with Joe Choynski in 1901, and the more experienced Californian chopped Jack down in three heats. Then Johnson left Texas, and went on to the title.

More recently, Texas figured in a lightweight championship fight, Joe Brown retaining his title against Kenny Lane in Houston.

In the splendid Houston Coliseum, Harris beat Willie Pastrano, Willi Besmanoff, and Bob Baker, on his way to Patterson.

It's a far cry from Sullivan and Marx in Galveston to Harris in the Houston arena.

A far cry. But then, in Texas everything seems to be far, and yet so near.

Texas has big league college football. It has major college basketball. It aspires to major league representation in baseball.

Its boxing destinies run along similar grooves. It has to. Because, after all, it is TEXAS.

TEXAS AND THE MID-SOUTH

By Harlan Haas

BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, RAMON RUENES, PROMOTER:—Miguel "Mike" Coronado, 146, Brownsville, met a tartar in tough Manuel Banuelos, 148, and had to be content with a draw in 10 rugged rounds of slam bang action. Regulo Landez, 132, put the icing to Gus O'Horan, 131, in the sixth round of the semi-windup. Francisco Ortiz, 112, planted one on the whiskers of Felipe S. Garcia, 109, and the lights went out midway of the first frame.

▶Brownsville, Texas, Ramon Ruenes, Promoter:—Pedro Gonzales, 118, pounded out a 10 round decision over Gerardo Isoba, 117, a top the weekly program of Promoter Ramon Ruenes in the border city. Aurelio Reyna, 116, stopped Vicente Chapa, 118, in six rounds. Hilario Molina, 141, took the decision from Regulo Landez, 136, in six hectic rounds.

▶Corpus Christi, Texas, Coastal Bend Boxing Club:—In one of the most vicious battles ever seen in the city of Corpus Christi—one that would rival the Pep-Saddler brawl of a few years back—Miguel "Mike" Coronado, 145, Brownsville, edged Joe Louis "The Spider" Hargrove, 139, Austin, in ten double tough rounds. The rule book was thrown completely out of the window in this one—the Old Marquis of Queensberry surely must've flipped over a few times while this one was in progress. There was an utter disregard for the rules on the part of Coronado and Hargrove.

Oscar Ortegon, 133½, decisioned Monico Garza, 129, in eight rounds. Antero Molina, 120, decisioned Francisco Ortiz, 114, in four. Paul Estrada, 123, and Jorge Gomez, 124, battled on even terms for four rounds.

▶Waco, Texas, Texas Boxing Club:—In a great crowd pleaser Al Boudreaux, The Fighting Frenchman from New Orleans, kept crowding clever Joe Felan of San Antonio all the way. He opened a small cut in the fleshy part of Felan's eye in the third round, and a couple of rounds later busted it wide open. The classy Mexican from the Alamo City was not able to continue, and the referee raised Boudreaux's hand in token of victory. It was a tough break for Felan who had won 32 of 35 contests before this one.

Hammerin' Henry Luera, 128, Houston, won over southpaw Gil Tapia, 127, San Antonio, in eight rounds. Arthur Jones, 161, Houston, handed John Victor Penn, 158, Houston, a loss in a gruelling six round affair. Ray Gonzales, 137, Houston, edged James Gavilan Ealey, 140, Austin, in a six. Johnny Mason, 178, Houston, stopped Sherman Goodman, 180, in the sixth round.

▶Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Inc., Promoters: World's lightweight boss, Joe Brown is still boss after taking Kenny Lane in a rip roaring 15 round battle at the Sam Houston Coliseum. Brown stalked Lane the entire forty-five minutes of fighting, but could never get over his famed sleep producing wallops. When he did land them they did not reach the button. The southpaw style puzzled Brown, there was no doubt about it, and Lane scored time and again with his right jabs and hooks, but with little effect. The fight itself is told in more detail in another part of this issue by Nat Fleischer. Each fighter weighed in at 134¼.

Paul Jorgensen, 132, Port Arthur, fought to a 10 round draw with Joey Lopes, 131, Sacramento, in the semi-final. Jorgensen was making his worst fight ever in Houston. It was a punishing battle with the durable little California battler, and both were bleeding at the final bell. Lopes proved to be double tough, and Jorgy who has always been known as one of the games greatest defensive fighters was punished in nearly every round. He came out of the fight with one eye completely shut, and cut, and with a varying assortment of lumps.

Ray Riojas, 139½, Fort Worth, looked the best ever as he beat the highly regarded southpaw Rudy Jordan, 141, Los Angeles, in a pleasing six rounder. Riojas had been in Houston for over a week prior to the fight working with Jorgensen and Layne. He was ready for this one. Harry Floyd Smith, 132, Brooklyn, looked like a whale of a prospect in stopping the veteran prelim boy Ray "Jitterbug" Smith, 128, New Orleans, in a couple of heats. Smith is a boy to keep your eyes on.

▶Al Boudreaux, the New Orleans welter, just scored another sensational knockout. He finished off Al Warren of Hobbs, New Mexico in a 10 rounder at Bastrop, La., and is looking for bigger game to conquer. It was the sixth victory of the year for the Wild Frenchman from the Bayou Country. A veteran of over 100 professional fights, he seems to have taken a new lease on life and he's now ready to give the best a run for their dough.

▶There were no programs left after the Brown-Lane battle. However, I still have quite a few copies of the 20 page Brown-Dupas Championship Souvenir Program on hand. Anyone desiring a copy please send the writer 25¢ to cover the cost of handling, and I'll be happy to mail one to you. Address your letter to Harlan Haas, 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas.

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MINNESOTA NEWS

By Billy Colbert

MINNEAPOLIS, CRYSTAL LAKE BOXING CLUB. Jim Hegerle, St. Paul middleweight and the toughest puncher in the northwest, knocked out Jesse Gray of Chicago before a large crowd. Emmett Weller, middleweight, was in great shape and really poured the leather on to send Gray kicking in the ninth round.

▶Danny Davis, 138, Minneapolis stopped Lem Thomas, 132, Chicago in 1:59 of the fourth round of the semi-final. Fast rising George Reiter, 123½, Minneapolis kayoed Gene Dawson, 124, South Bend, Ind., in 1:07 of the third; Bobby Daniels, 171½, Duluth won from James Beard, 166½, Minneapolis, 4 and Roy Hawk, 127, Minneapolis kayoed Al DeWald, 122, Wadena, Minn. in 0.44 of the fourth round.

▶Del Flanagan, St. Paul welterweight, has a new manager in Bud Henning, St. Paul contractor. Bud an all-around sportsman in St. Paul and Del should do real good under Bud Hennings direction.

▶Tommy Anderson, Minneapolis boxing promoter, is trying to line up some big fights for Minneapolis.

▶Don Jasper, Duluth, Minn. heavyweight, made a great hit in Wichita when he boxed Dan Hodge. The show grossed 7460 in the Forum. Al Andrew St. Paul middleweight won a clean cut decision over Joe Louis Adair in the eight round semi-final. Al made a hit.

▶With the promoters active in Minneapolis, Crystal Lake, Rooseville and St. Paul, it looks like a busy season this fall.

▶Johnny Salvator, St. Paul former welterweight and boxing promoter, is the State Game Warden. John does a great job and is well liked.

MOBILE, ALABAMA

Art Drago

MOBILE, ALA.—MOBILE'S ONLY BOXING CARD IN JULY WAS AN artistic and financial success.

Guy Sumlin, the unbeaten Prichard (Ala.) welter, proved that he can operate just as well against a puncher as he does against boxers, when he stopped Herbie Rodriguez on a TKO in the eight round July 21. It was the first knockout for Herbie and, when the New Orleans youngster went down for an eight-count in the eighth round, it marked the first time Rodriguez had visited the canvas during his pro career of 26 bouts.

Sumlin, taking the few good shots Herbie could get in without a backward step, didn't lose a round but it was an action-packed affair throughout which had the crowd of 1851 paid on its feet a good portion of the time.

The win was the 11th in succession for Sumlin, who turned pro in May of last year and has since stopped six foes while decisioning five.

The July card produced a gross gate of $3,908, the best here in many years.

Teddy (Red Top) Mosley, 140, Mobile, won by TKO over Ray Citidiano, Baton Rouge (2); Charlie Zara, 148, Birmingham, stopped Frank Evans, 150, New Orleans, (1); Jimmy Lane, 147, New Orleans, decisioned Cheffy Reyna, 145, Mobile (6).

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY

By Max Yeargain

DAN HODGE, 190, OLYMPIC WRESTLER TURNED FIGHTER, WICHITA, knocked out inept and out-of-shape Don Jasper, 190 Duluth, Minn., heavyweight in the fourth round of a scheduled 10-rounder before 3,500 fans at the Forum in Wichita, Kansas.

Al Andrews, 160, St. Paul, Minn., decisioned Joe Louis Adair, 165, Wichita, in a dull eight rounder. Gene Havenar, 126, Wichita, halted Jesse Cervantes, 125, Kansas City in the third round of a scheduled six. In the show-stealer, Hestel Franks, 145, Oklahoma City and Martin Ware, 142, Omaha fought to a sizzling six round draw. Louis DeGarza, 130, Wichita decisioned Ted Jefferson, 126, Oklahoma City in four.

▶Send your date to Max Yeargain, Quality Hill Towers, 905 Jefferson, Kansas City, Mo.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales

WHITEY ESNEAULT, WHOSE RING STABLE HAS BEEN ONE of the most consistent winners in the South for some time, has been having rough sledding with his proteges during the past few months. Esneault's headliners have dropped their last five fights, and local boxing fans are beginning to wonder just what has happened to his beak-busters.

First it was Ralph Dupas, who was kayoed by Joe Brown in their lightweight title fight at Houston. Then Tony Dupas, younger brother of Ralph, was beaten by the more experienced Jimmy Martinez. Freddie Little, who was unbeaten in 11 fights, was stopped by Norris Burse of Houston in five rounds, and in a more recent encounter, Tony Dupas was kayoed by Neal Rivers in two rounds at Las Vegas.

Many of the veteran railbirds here were skeptical when Tony Dupas was matched with Neal Rivers. They didn't think Tony was ready for Rivers, who twice defeated Charley Joseph and whipped many more seasoned performers. But Tony was anxious to fight. And it didn't take Rivers long before he hung the kayo over young Dupas.

Charley Joseph, hot and cold in recent ring performances, had an easy time with Joe Shaw of New York at the Coliseum. Joseph won a lopsided 10-round decision, a listless affair which found the New Yorker displaying an excellent exhibition of catching. A one-time middleweight title contender.

The six-round semi-final between Johnny Johnson of Baton Rouge and Al Garter was a real thriller with Johnson winning a split six-round decision after six rounds. They are light-heavyweights.

Regus Williams, local welter, dropped Don Lovier to the canvas no less than four times in the first round before the referee halted the uneven affair. Gene Leslie, lanky middleweight, won over Mike Lowrey in a slugfest, while Percy Pugh decisioned Arthur King in another four rounder.

The net gate of $1663.30 enabled the promoters to break even on the show.

▶Joe Brown's 15-round decision over Kenny Lane at Houston, Tex., is still a hot topic of conversation around the local fight beat. Brown and Lane have been quite popular with Crescent City fight fans and their meeting attracted almost as much interest as Joe's fight with Ralph Dupas two months earlier. There's no doubt that Lane was the toughest opponent Brown opposed since the New Orleans boy won the world's lightweight title from Wallace Bud Smith. Unable to slip through with a kayo wallop, Brown had to put on a late rally to safeguard his championship.

Kenny not only proved a good competitor, but showed that he could absorb a good punch and keep fighting over the long grind, despite the fact it was his first attempt at 15 rounds. Read Nat Fleischer's account of the fight. He was a ringside spectator.

▶Freddie Little, the University of Dillard middleweight managed by Whitey Esneault, suffered his first ring loss when he was kayoed by Norris Burse of Houston, Tex., in the fifth in the coliseum. Little, who had never boxed as an amateur, had run up a string of 11 straight victories, nine of which were by knockouts.

A left hook to the chin had Little's eyes popping and his knees buckling. He was dazed and apparently out on his feet. However, the ropes kept Freddie from falling. Another left, followed by a short right then sent Little flat on his back as Referee Frederick Adams counted him out.

It was a big night for the Texas fighters. Aside from Burse's kayo victory, Henry Luera, also of Houston, stopped Frankie Speed in the ninth round of a scheduled 10. Speed dropped Luera with a right in the fifth. In the next round, Luera blasted Speed around the ring, a sharp right almost dropping the local boy.

In the fours, Johnny Little, 134, brother of Freddie, made his pro debut a winning one, winning a splitter over Percy Pugh, 133½, while Stringbean Leslie, 151½, bested Ted Robinson, 152½.

Only 756 fans paid a net gate of $886.17 to see the show.

▶New Orleans boxing fans have taken to Ludwig Lightburn, 138½, as though the British Honduras lightweight was a local favorite. Allie Clark's sharp-shooter chalked up his second straight victory at the Coliseum arena when he stopped the unpredictable Dave Dupas, 140, in the ninth round. Prior to the Dupas fight, Lightburn flattened Larry Armstead, another local product, in the tenth and final round.

A picturesque right-cross—a punch that appeared to travel but six inches—caught Dupas flush on the chin. The blow sent Dave to the canvas with a resounding thud. He lay motionless as Referee Ernie Cojoe counted off the numerals—a dramatic ending.

Freddie Little, Bogalusa, La., middleweight puncher. Freddie, a student at Dillard University, had his 11 bout win streak snapped when he was kayoed by Norris Burse. But he got back on the winning path a few weeks later by kayoing Joey Gleason for his 10th kayo in 13 fights and is ready for a return with Burse.

My tab showed Lightburn winning six of the first eight rounds. A turnout of 1,960 fans paid a net gate of $3670.54 to see the attractive card.

Ted Donald, heavyweight protege of Johnny Fisse, enjoyed a 34½-pound weight advantage over Cliff Enslier of Mobile, but Ted had to get off the floor before stopping the visitor in the second of a scheduled six rounder. Donald weighed 202½ pounds to 170 for Enslier.

Percy Pugh, 129½, decisioned Speedy Allen, 126, in one of three four rounders. Al Garter won a split decision from Joey Gleason, while Leon Moses, 192½, stopped Willie Lee.

▶Mobile, Ala., welterweights came through with flying colors, when Duke Malone and Guy Sumlin scored unexpected knockouts. Malone, a heavy underdog, battered Larry Armstead of New Orleans with a two-fisted battering in the sixth round before Referee Frederick Adams halted the contest. The contest was scheduled for eight rounds.

Sumlin ran his string of unbroken victories to 11 when he stopped Herbie Rodriguez of New Orleans in the eighth round of a scheduled tenner at Mobile before some 2000 fans.

It was Rodriguez' first knockout suffered in 26 fights, and the triumph moved Sumlin closer to a headliner with some name welterweight in the near future.

Armstead, out of ring action since suffering a tenth round kayo by Ludwig Lightburn in January, ran into a glove storm in the eighth. Unable to defend himself from Malone's two-fisted battering, the referee wisely halted the contest.

The Armstead-Malone fight featured an all-star card of three eight rounders. In the best fight of the night, Joe Cook, one of the better ring prospects here managed by Joe Zwirek, decisioned Willie Ranson. It was an interesting battle from the opening round, but Cook's stronger finish left no doubt as to his superiority. Both are 140 pounders.

In the third eight, Al Carter, 172 pounds, won a split decision over Joey Gleason, 169. Carter dropped Gleason for a nine count in the sixth, the only knockdown of the fight. The split decision was the second scored by Carter over Gleason.

In the opening four rounder, Mike Lowrey won a splitter from Larry Osbey.

Bonnie Geigerman and Heard Ragas, co-promoters of the fight card, were jubilant over the fine entertainment received by the fans. Only 895 fans turned out for the card, the gate netting $1113.91.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

ROANOKE'S POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE, BOXING TEAM, continues its outstanding victory record. The Roanoke battlers won 5 out of 7 bout team match, against the best scrappers from Whitesville, West Virginia. The victors for the star city team: Curtis Barker—heavy; Wayne Stinnett—154-lbs; Ronnie Saul—132 lbs; Lewis Myers—135-lbs; Billy Wertz—147-lbs.

"Red" Journie, star welterweight of the late 20's and early 30's, died recently at his home in Portsmouth, Va. The crowd pleasing Journie fought such well knowns as Ken Overlin, George Rohanna, Joe Raymond, Cliff Wellons, Bob Turner.

LOUISVILLE, KY. BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

AT FREEDOM HALL, JESSE BROWDRY, 174, of St. Louis drummed a steady beat of left hands off the head of game but outclassed Jerry Luedee, 168, of New Haven, Conn. Then the St. Louis light-heavyweight unloosed a two-fisted attack to the head and body for an eighth-round technical knockout. After two minutes of the eighth, with Bowdry comfortably ahead on the cards of the referee, judges, and writers, Referee Gering ended things with Luedee reeling helplessly on the ropes.

Welter weight Willie Moran made his pro debut a successful one by knocking out Danny Schwartz, South Bend, Ind. in 2:50 of the second. Both weighed 147.

Louisville welter Danny Jones, 146, T.K.O.d Johnny Howard, 148, Chicago, in 1:27 of the sixth. However, Sherman Williams, 167, dropped a decision to Abe Lanier, 157, of Chicago.

Louisvillian Billy Tuck at 158, gave away 15 pounds to Jimmy Dover of South Bend but managed to gain a draw in six.

▶At the down town Armory, Rudell Stitch, 144, of Louisville continued his rapid climb up the fistic ladder by scoring a third-round knockout over Johnny Neal, 152, of Milwaukee, Wis. A right hand to the face by Stitch finished off Neal in 1:17 of third before 1,700 fans.

In the eight-round semi-windup Billy Williams, 135, of Louisville scored a booed decision over Don Mason, 135, of Milwaukee and other fights.

Louisville Billy Tuck, 161, decisioned James Roberts, 167, also of Louisville in six, and Robert Keeling, 133, Dayton, decisioned Vern Lee, 138, Indianapolis in six, and former heavyweight Champ Ezzard Charles sparred two round each with Louisville middleweights Sherman Williams and Billy Hester in an exhibition.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

Cincinnati has a new boxing promoter. He is Toney Warndorf who has seen action in almost every department of the biff business, his last as referee in Cincinnati.

Managers of fighters will do well to send in their available fighters, with complete details to Warndorf at 347 Linden Avenue Newport, Ky.

Southern Ohio's sole top representative in the fight game—Davey Moore—had a narrow squeak in his fight on July 28 against Kid Anahuac in the Tia Juana, Mexico bull ring. The Mexican attendance, not in accord with the decision for Moore, engaged in a near riot. . . .my weekly boxing letter, ten dollars per year subscription is doing well. Write to me at 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

Ansonia:—With veteran Bobe Mele again at the matchmaking helm, the annual Boxing show under the auspices of the Ansonia Benevolent Police Association, was its usual success, fistically and financially. In the feature bout of eight rounds, Connecticut's State Lightweight champion, Steve Ward, 138, of Hartford had little trouble defeating Jimmy Watkins, 136, of New York. Although it was an easy win for Ward, it was an interesting fight throughout, with Watkins doing the leading and Ward, quick, sharp and fast with his counter-punching. This was Ward's second win over Watkins.

In the semi-final, another eight, Willie Eaton, 152, New Haven, scored a quick one round KO win over Sonny Boynkin, 151½, Norwalk. The time was 1:38 with Boynkin hitting the deck three times, from a savage attack to the head and body. Referee Pinky Morris didn't even bother to count after the third knockdown.

In another eight rounder, Psalm Johnson, 133, Hartford won a hard earned decision over Al King, 135, Bristol. It was a good fight with Johnson the more aggresive through-out.

IRISH AND UNBEATEN

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unless he's mean and vicious—as I found Dave Gallardo to be when we met in Los Angeles on March 21, 1957."

"He really was nasty. Used vile language and rough tactics, trying to make me lose my temper. But instead he lost the fight on a TKO, after I chopped him up good and plenty. After the battle—". The boxer stopped speaking and look at his manager.

"Go on," said Mr. Benjamin. "Tell the rest of the story."

"After the battle," resumed Bobby, "movie star Gia Scala—and boy, is she a beaut!—presented me with a swell wristwatch and a sweet kiss. But nothing will induce me," he grinned, "to tell which I prize the most."

Scanlon, who is amazingly calm in the ring—says that Pete Kawala gave him his toughest battle.

Bobby won a third of his bouts by the KO route. "I, myself," he contributed modestly, "have never been dropped by a blow."

His favorite boxer is Willie Pep. His favorite food is spaghetti—but he doesn't eat it too often. He likes popular music.

Scanlon, whose favorite sport is basketball, had been an all-round athlete in High School. "I'm now a member of the California National Guard." Bobby is attending City College of San Francisco, taking physical education.

"My favorite relaxation?" The undefeated lightweight thought a moment. "Well, I like watching movies—or driving Art's Cadillac around town. And yes, playing the guitar—though I'm still only a beginner."

BEST PUNCH IS HOOK BUT RIGHT IS GOOD

His best punch is a left hook. But Scanlon can jab with equal facility. And his right is not to be sneezed at either.

Those who appreciate artistic boxing derive pleasure from seeing him perform. He moves smoothly, knows how to create openings by feinting, and is adept at sharp and accurate punching. One of his fascinating maneuvers is to bait an opponent into leading—only to make him miss by ducking under the blow and hitting the fellow while he's off balance.

In Vic Grupico, former boxer, Bobby has an able trainer, boxing instructor and good friend. "The three of us get along remarkably well," said Art Benjamin. "Which is fine. Because where harmony exists success is easier to achieve."

Scanlon's following is ever increasing—and the boxer has a cute way of improving its growth. Whenever he notices someone looking at him, the lad approaches the person and says with a smile, his manner friendly: "My name is Bobby Scanlon—the boxer. And what is your name, please?"

The fellow accepts Scanlon's extended hand, highly honored at meeting such a courteous young man—and a popular boxer in the bargain. "It is my guess that the next time I'm scheduled to fight," grinned Bobby, "many of those I introduce myself to are certain to come and see me perform."

A clever ringman, Bobby Scanlon is also a shrewed businessman.

CLOSE CALL FOR BROWN

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abreast of his opponent. In addition, he confused Brown with his awkward southpaw style. He landed many jolting blows several of which forced Brown on the defensive against the ropes, but his punches on the aggregate were not as punishing as were those of the 32 year old defending title holder, who unlike most of his previous matches, was unable to get across his Sunday punch. In fact, his right, which is potent, wasn't put into use too often. When it was, Brown missed the target due to Lane's shiftiness.

It was a tough battle, though not a sensational one. Brown's best rounds were the fourth, tenth and fifteenth, with the tenth the outstanding. It was the round that turned the tide in his favor.

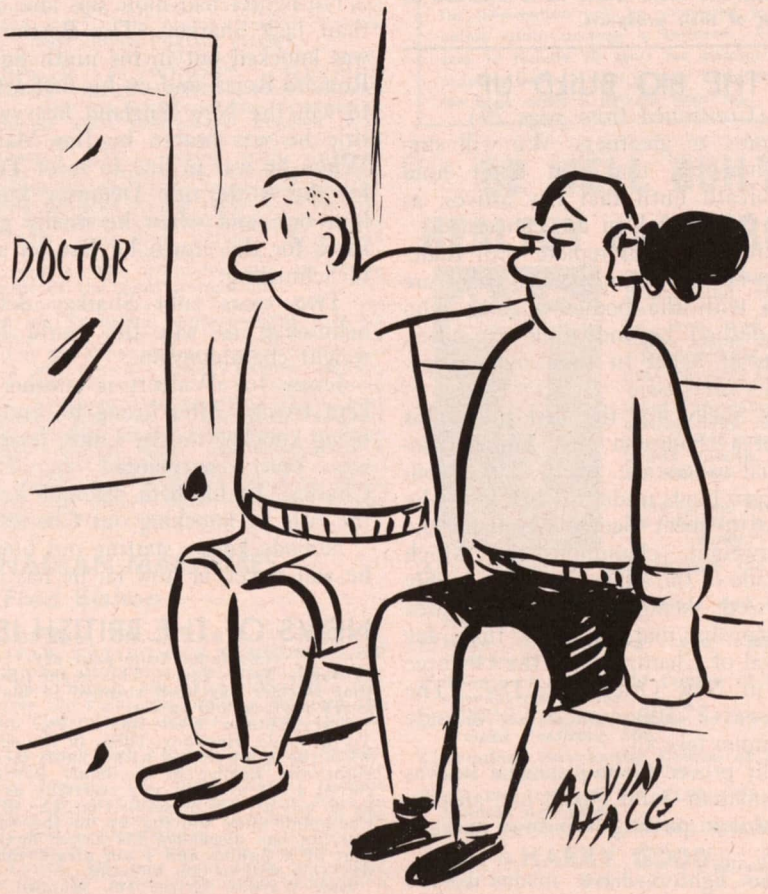
The champ had Lane in trouble in that frame and landed his best punch of the bout, a left hook to the point of the jaw that knocked Lane's mouthpiece to the far corner of the canvas. But at no time could Brown floor his man whose record of never having been knocked down, remained intact.

Joe belted Lane's mouthpiece out again in the final round and took a commanding lead to clinch the victory with powerful rights to the body. Despite the heavy attack, Lane, though tired, fought back gamely throughout that session to receive the plaudits of the crowd.

Brown had a cut over his left eye in the last two rounds, while Lane showed greater damage with a puffed right eye and a steady flow of claret from the early rounds to the finish. Kenny's best round was the fifth which he won by a margin of two points. I gave Brown two points lead both in the fourth and tenth.

It was in the ninth that the champion puffed Kenny's eye and in the following round, he gave Kenny a thrashing.

It was the first fight in five since he won the title in August, 1956 that Brown failed to win by a knockout. Joey has been a fighting champion, the most active of all, his latest title defense being his third since last December.



GUY SUMLIN

Undefeated young Mobile, Alabama welterweight threat Guy Sumlin has not tasted defeat during the sixteen months since he began his professional career. In a dozen bouts he has won eleven and fought one no-contest, that with Johnny McKoin. A good hitter he has recorded six knockouts, including an eight round kayo of highly touted Herbie Rodriguez of New Orleans, an experienced fighter.

Sumlin also holds wins over Ray Portilla and Al Boudreaux and has been largely responsible for the return of pro boxing to the Gulf port city. Although all of his fighting has been in Mobile and New Orleans his fame has spread throughout the South where he is regarded as the best of their prospects.

THE BIG BUILD UP

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knockouts to greatness. We will suggest, however, that you don't hold your breath until that day arrives, as far as Pete and Dan are concerned.

Boxing history is replete with Rademacher-Hodge examples, the pages are strewn with the bodies of boys who were pushed beyond their capacities, victims of belief in their own propaganda.

Jack Skelly was the first to try his luck at a champion after limited professional experience. Skelly had a couple of pro bouts under his belt when he deigned to meet George Dixon for the featherweight championship. Much was made of the affair and it was highly publicized, being one of the three championship matches in the three day Carnival of Champions at the Olympic Club in New Orleans in 1892. The purse was $7,500 with a $5,000 side bet, winner take all.

Skelly proved to be just what he was —an amateur—and Dixon had an easy time of it in putting him away in eight rounds.

Some fighters have made it—too many have fallen by the wayside in their first true test, victims of the Big Build-Up, guys like Jimmy Adamick, Pat Comiskey, Charley Powell, Jim Cully, Coley Wallace, Buddy Moore, Norvel Lee—and a host of others, built up beyond their ability, shattered into a rude awakening when they met an experienced professional.

Mr. Rademacher knows whereof he speaks when he says that experience means something in boxing. He is the living proof.

DELAYED ACTION

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instructor for the CYO.

Nobody ever walked a rockier road than Rocky Graziano, and it led him to the world middleweight championship, and a career in television and the movies. A juvenile delinquent starting out, and later in trouble with the Army, Graziano overcame his past. Even when at the peak of his career his license was revoked. The charge was failure to report an attempt to bribe him. The bribe he didn't take, and the fight was never fought.

After failing to win the middleweight title from Zale the first time, Graziano knocked out the man of steel in Chicago. Tony took the title back in Newark, ending the series, but Rocky had one more crack at the middleweight championship. He failed against Robinson, but he had Sugar Ray on the canvas.

No fighter had more ups and downs than Jack Sharkey. The Boston Gob was knocked out in his ninth fight by Romero Rojas, and on his first attempt to win the New England heavyweight title he was beaten by Jim Maloney. When he was in line to meet Tunney for the world title Dempsey knocked him out, and when he finally got in there for the crown he lost on a foul to Schmeling.

Two years later Sharkey defeated Schmeling to win the world heavyweight championship.

Jersey Joe Walcott is another who kept trying. After losing to, and then being knocked out by Louis, Jersey Joe was twice outpointed by Ezzard Charles. In his fifth attempt he won the title by knocking out Charles.

Nobody knows starting out how fast he will travel, or how far he has to go.

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in Bobby Neill's favor. This is the first time that Dormer has been stopped in his three years professional career.

Terry Spinks, West Ham, 119½, defeated Terry Toole, Hackney, 119¾, in the seventh, when the latter retired with a badly lacerated right eye. Earlier in the bout, Spinks received a cut eye and was receiving as much as he was giving. It seems that The Olympic Champion since moving up to the bantamweights has discarded his clever boxing to that of a fighter and I am afraid that one day this will be his undoing.

Ron Warnes, Erith, 145, stopped Gerry Bedford, Ponteefract, 148, in the fourth, when the referee intervened.

▶ OSWESTRY . . . Randy Turpin, Leamington, British Cruiserweight Champion, although defeating Redvers Sangoe, Cardiff, in the fourth of a cruiserweight battle, did not settle the question, whether Randy is the best Cruiser in the British Empire. Sangoe was not in the same class as the former Middleweight Champion of The World. The referee saw no point in letting the one-sided bout continue after Sangoe had gotten to his feet from a left swing to the body in the fourth. Howard Turpin, Leamington, nephew of Randy, had to be content with a draw against Dave Bottomley, Leicester, in a six round welterweight contest.

Tony French, Woking, again showed good form for a youngster when he outpointed Richard North, Calverton, in a six round welterweight bout. Eddie Bee, Cardiff, knocked out John Plenty, Bristol, in the second of a middleweight bout. Dave George, Woking, stopped Bob Roberts, Nigeria, in the second. Gordon Blakey, Cardiff, outpointed Ken Hignett, Bootle, feather, 6.

▶ With the closing down of The Empress Hall, Earls Court, for Boxing and other events, as the site will now be pulled down for the building of Flats, comes the news that The Harringay Arena, the venue of many Worlds and British Title fights, has been sold. Promoter Jack Solomons will have to look for a new venue to stage his many fistic Promotions. Jack has a promotion there in September and no doubt will stage the farewell night in October as the sale of contract calls for Vacant possession by November 1st.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

CHRIS DUNDEE WAS given a five-year contract by the Miami Beach City Council to hold shows in both the Auditorium and the newly-constructed Exhibition Hall.

▶ Rocky Marciano, retired world heavyweight champion, is on a 'tater tour of Southern supermarkets. The 10-pound baskets carry a pic of the Rock in his fight pose, another with his championship belt and his fight record of nine years. He autographs these baskets during his visits. One of Marciano's potato farms is near Jacksonville, at Hastings, noted for its spud production. This is the home of a former well-known heavyweight contender, Elmer "The Violent" Ray.

▶ Ring Magazine contenders lived up to The Bible of Boxing's ratings by taking TKO victories at Miami Beach. A doubleheader attraction featured Jesse Bowdry in a scheduled tenner against Bobby Lane, and Bobby Boyd with Jimmy Morris in the other. Bowdry racked up a TKO in eight rounds and Boyd took care of Morris in four. Bowdry, number 8 light-heavy, is from St. Louis, and Lane, of Kannapolis, North Carolina and Miami. Boyd, a middleweight, hails from Chicago, and Morris, of Miami. Morris had a great first round when he staggered Boyd at the start but that was overcome later.

In the prelims: Johnny Pew bested Gene Mann in a light-heavy affair; Carl Caoporale, Philadelphia, got the nod over Billy Hall, of Hialeah; Jim Tillman, of Miami, and Kelly Davis, of Homestead, settled for a draw. Considering the twin-feature, a crowd of 2,475 customers showed up and they contributed to the gate of $5,008.75. This was the best for Chris in a long, long time. Bowdry caught the fans' eyes with his performance.

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CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

Boxing will be revived again this fall in Canton, once one of the leading boxing cities in America. Amateur shows will be promoted first by a Canton group of sportsmen headed by Sammy Angott, former lightweight champion of the world, and Vince Risko, Canton wrestling promoter and brother of the late Babe Risko, former middleweight champion.

▶ Suey Welch, manager of Billy Peacock, stopped off in Akron on his way back from Cardiff, Wales. Suey plans another trip to the British Isles this fall.

▶ Tom Walsh, veteran promoter of boxing in Cleveland, Canton and Akron is recovering from his broken ankle accident and will start off again as publicity man for the Harlem Globe Trotters and also book a few fights for Joe Maxim. Joe recently fought and lost three bouts in Europe. Maxim has disposed of all his holdings in Cleveland and now lives in Miami.

RING NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

TWO TITLE FIGHTS THIS MONTH AND TWO OTHER Australian champions in action in non-title bouts were featured in July and June. The first champ to put his crown on the line was the man who most makes a habit of it: ALLEN WILLIAMS, heavyweight champion, who staked his title for the fifth time in six months. This time he did a repeat on SANDY ASSOGNA. He knocked out Sandy in 13 rounds at Melbourne Stadium. He knocked out Sandy in 13 at Wollongong, too, last February.

The second title tilt was one which fans have been waiting for about a year—GEORGE BRACKEN versus MAX CARLOS, for the former's lightweight title. Finally it took place—at Melbourne Stadium on July 4—and Melbourne Stadium was booked out a fortnight before the fight! It was a great fight with Carlos collecting the crown by a points decision in 15 thrilling rounds.

Australian middleweight champion, CLIVE STEWART, did a repeat on AL "TIGER" WILLIAMS, of USA, at Sydney Stadium on July 14. Last time they met, Stewart gained the verdict in a hard fight and about half the crowd disagreed with the verdict (don't know why, as the margin in favor of Stewart was definite). This time Clive proved to all that there was no doubt. The fight went all the way—12 rounds—but Stewart won by a fairly large margin.

▶ The other Australian champion to fight during the month was bantam champ, DICK WHITE, who knocked out featherweight, BARRY MOLLOY, in the eighth round at Casino, northern NSW.

RUSSELL SANDS outpointed Filipino, TOMMY ROMULO, at Sydney Stadium on June 23, in a very convincing manner. Russell is a beautiful boxer.

▶ Queensland welter, LAURIE LATCH, made his Sydney debut when he met BOBBY SANDERS at Leichhardt Stadium. It was an interesting fight until Sanders had to withdraw at the end of the fourth round because of an injured duke.

The promoters were so pleased with Latch that they matched him with Col. Clarke. However, a few days before the bout was to eventuate, Clarke pulled out and JOHNNY ZORZ was substituted. Zorz, a former amateur champion, has had only a handful of pro fights, all prelims, so it was a step up to Latch. But Johnny, boxing like a champion, outpointed Latch over 12 rounds.

▶ At Leichhardt HARRY CASTLE found the weight pull of ten pounds, held by BULL HUGHES (166 to 176), was too much. The big Bull earned his points verdict. Castle has gone to Noumea to fight Francois Anewy.

BONNIE ESPINOSA is an unlucky fighter. He lost his debut fight in Australia when he suffered a cut eye. That was against Italian, Litterio Petilli. At the time, the Filipino was well in front. A similar thing happened in his last start—against Aussie, GEORGE FLEMMING, at Melbourne Stadium. Despite Flemming's eagerness, he was being outpointed until Espinosa suffered an eye injury. The fight thus was stopped in the ninth round in Flemming's favour. Date was June 27.

▶ Espinosa's gym-mate, LARRY BATAAN, made his Australian debut against Australian featherweight champion, MAX MURPHY, at Sydney Stadium.

▶ On June 16, CYRIL BODNEY, of Perth, outpointed TEDDY RAINBOW, of Sydney, over twelve rounds. It was a featherweight fight. A fortnight later, MIKE DAWSON, outweighing Bodney by about eight pounds, outpointed Cyril in a State lightweight title tilt.

▶ Triple bill of ten-rounders at Melbourne Stadium. In one, STEVE NITTIES stopped DARCY CARR in the last round, due to Carr receiving a cut eye. They are feathers. In a second featherweight bout, POPEYE McNAIR outpointed PASQUALE CURCIO. In a welter engagement, JOHNNY MYEDA stopped TOMMY COLLINS in the tenth round. This was due to Collins receiving an eye cut.

SOUTH AFRICAN ROUND-UP
By Les. Muller

EUROPEAN ROUND-UP — JOHANNESBURG. JOHNNY VAN RENSBURG, SOUTH AFRICAN AND EMPIRE welterweight champion, battered Chico Santos (Portugal), to an eight-round T.K.O. defeat at the Johannesburg City Hall.

Kenny Lawrence (146), beat Wally Madley (145), on points over four rounds. Alex McKnight (238), beat Fred De klerk (182½), by a second round T.K.O. Peter Lock (134½), beat Mickey Pretorius (132½), by a first round T.K.O.. Sampie Pretorius beat Steve Swan on points also over four rounds.

▶ Durban.—Ernie Baronet of Durban became the new South African featherweight titleholder by beating Graham Van der Walt on a eighth round disqualification. This has been a very bad year for Van der Walt. Baronet is a good young prospect. Benny Niewenhuizen retained his Natal welterweight title by gaining a knockout victory over Buster Perry. Dickie Williams surprisingly outpointed national middleweight champion, Chris Van Rooyen. Williams will soon be fighting Van Rooyen for teh latter's title. Bernie Taylor beat Dawie Morris on points over four rounds. Roy McRae beat Renier Boshoff by a K.O. in three.

▶ Durban.—Johnny Van Rensburg successfully defended his South African welterweight title by knocking out Benny Niewenhuizen in the third round at the Durban Icedrome. Niewenhuizen was counted out while writhing in agony on the canvas, after being felled by what appeared to be a low blow. The doctor examined Benny after the fight and confirmed that there was evidence of him having received a hard low blow. Dickie Williams won the South African middleweight title by outpointing Champion Chris Van Rooyen over 12 grueling rounds. Bernie Taylor (122½), impresses with a fine win over Teuns Van Royen (130). This was a six-rounder. Gerry Vorster (133½), outpointed Cassie Steenkamp (130) over four rounds. Roy McRae (174½), beat George Richter (173¼), when the latter was disqualified in the sixth for holding.

▶ Non-European Round-up. Johannesburg. Enoch Nhlapo retained his Transvaal lightweight title by an eighth round T.K.O. win over Henry Seabela. It was a bloody fight. The fighters had the crowd yelling from the beginning to the end at the Johannesburg Social Club. Silas Ncala (143¼), surprisingly outpointed experienced Chris Monare (136), over six rounds. Makeed Mofokeng, welter, narrowly outpointed Kid Armstrong over six rounds. Norman Motoaleli beat Peter Sekoalo also over six rounds. Professor Black gained a T.K.O. win over Baby John in the second.

▶ Durban.—A good crowd turned out at the Y.M.C.A. Durban to witness an interesting scrap between Dick Goba (122½), and David Masinga (126), which Goba won on points over six rounds. Goba dropped Masinga in the fifth for a count of 8. Leonard Madela (118), won the vacant Natal bantamweight title when he stopped Victor Hulley (118), in the second round. Lawrence Makhanya (140), beat Richard Mncube (143), on points. Kid Alpheus (127½), beat Kid Bernard (127¾), on points. Joseph Nakaza (113½), beat Boyce Phalani (111¾).

▶ Vereeniging.—John Mtimkulu (113), NON-EUROPEAN FLYWEIGHT CHAMPION CLEARLY OUTPOINTED Paul Moloro (113½), over ten rounds at the Vereeniging Communal Hall. Mtimkulu finished very strongly and was a worthy winner. Rex Ncongwane (117½), drew with Anthony Bantom (117), over eight mauling rounds. Shamrock Morake (125), impressed by outpointing Lazarus Tjelele (125), over six rds. Sugar Motloung (111), outpointed Cornelius Tau (111), over four rounds. Moss Kau (137), beat Theo Makau (135½), also over four rounds. The promoter was Mr. Dave Motsumi of the Vaal promotions.

▶ Johannesburg.—Leslie Tangee (118), retained his Transvaal-bantamweight title by stopping John Moletsane (118), in the fourth round at the Johannesburg Social Centre before a big crowd. Brady Barlow (112¾), beat Jacob Sefatsa (112), on a second round T.K.O. Abraham Phatlametsing (110), beat S. Morube (111), on a T.K.O. in the first round. Ezekiel Shole (120), lost to Sam Boysens (115½), Shole was attempting a comeback. D. Letsoalo (128½), lost to Levi Madi (123½), on a T.K.O. Herbert Hlubi (162½), beat Moses Mahlobo (172), in one minute of the second round.

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

SHELBURNE, N.S.—BERNIE STONE, 148, HALIFAX, TRYING FOR NUMBER EIGHT win in nine starts was sidetracked by Moncton's Nick Kovak, 150, after suffering a bad cut over the right eye midway through the sixth. The referee awarded Kovak the decision.

In the semi-final, Yarmouth's Billy Nickerson, 135, scored a first round K.O. over Carrol Fraser; 133, Bridgewater. Lennie Sparks, 146, Halifax, wasted little time in stopping Tiger Jarvis, 148, Liverpool, in 1.20 of the first, a six rounder.

▶ Halifax, N. S.—Young New Yorker, Vernon Lynch, 131, was held to a ten round draw by the veteran Canadian Champion from Halifax, Dick Howard, 136. The decision was not a popular one. Buddy Daye, 126, Halifax, carried too many guns for game Lawrence Spencer, 125, New Waterford, N.S., and knocked him flying at the two minute mark of the third round of a semi-final 6. Kenny Shea, 160, Dartmouth, N.S. looking better every time out, out-roughed tough Alf Grant, 154, Halifax, to win a well earned decision in six. George Munroe, 131, Halifax, knocked out Jonnie Devison, 128, Glace Bay, in 1.28 of the second Munroe had come off the floor in the first and fought an up-hill battle.

▶ Montreal, P.Q.—Yvon Durelle, 173, Baie St. Annes, N.B. stopped Mike Holt, 169, South Africa as Holt could not continue after the eighth round. He ran out of gas.

▶ Yarmouth, N.S.—Cecil Gray, 192, Springhill, N.S., Murry Lanford's fine heavyweight, defended his Maritime title in a wild go as up-and-coming Bobby Coutu, 190, Halifax, pushed him through 10 fast rounds. In the semi-final six, Steve Johnson, 149, Liverpool, knocked out the Halifax favorite, Ossie Grosse, 139, in two minutes of the second round. Billy Nickerson, 134, Yarmouth, stopped George Burns, 135, Halifax, in the second round. Cecil Waybert, 140, Stoney Island won over Lou Hilliard, 137, Dartmouth in four.

▶ New Glasgow, N.S.—Dick Howard, 136, Halifax, may be over the hill, but one would never know it the way he took after former Maritime Welter Champ, Kieth Paris, 147, New Glasgow. In by far the best fight of the Maritime season, Paris and Howard went at it hammer-and-tongs through 10 action filled rounds with Howard the winner by a good margin.

In the semi-final six, Doug Odo, 160, Stellarton, earned a draw with Dartmouth's pride, Kenny Shea, 159. My score card saw Shea ahead 5-1, the decision got a loud round of boos. Halifax hard rock, Johnnie Griffiths, 153, stopped Jimmy Stewart, 158, Thorburn, in the second of a opener of six.

▶ Glace Bay, N.S.—Young Beau Jack, 161, Boston, showed it was no fluke when he K.O.'d Gordie McDougall last year in August, as he again stopped our Maritime Champ in two rounds. Blair Richardson, 158, knocked out Kenny Stokes, 157, Boston, in the second of a eight rounder. Joe Scott, 159, Lingan, made it two straight as he stopped Ray Mascoll, 157, Sydney, midway through the fourth. In the curtain raiser Hal Tonnary, 139, New Waterford, outpointed Al Hillier, 143, No. Syd. 4.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

WEST HARTLEPOOL . . . Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, 116, has established himself as the logical challenger for Peter Keenan's Bantamweight titles. This Irish southpaw, scored a clear points win over George Bowes, West Hartlepool, 116, after ten interesting rounds . . . The first four rounds were full of thrills packed with action, in which Gilroy was sent down for a count of eight in the second round. In the third it was the turn of Bowes to visit the canvas. A left hook to the jaw saw the latter take a count of eight. From the fifth to the end Gilroy showed his supremacy.

John Smillie, Fauldhouse, 127, with his southpaw style, was not able to keep Ola Michael, Nigeria, 127, at bay for long, and the latter's aggressiveness paid off in the fourth, when Smillie was forced to take the full count . . . Pat McAuley, Belfast, 147½, outpointed Tex Williams, Carlisle, 143, in six . . . Phil McGrath, Halifax, 132½, outpointed Johnny Bambrough, West Hartlepool, 129, in six . . . Peter Heath, Coventry, 135¼, outpointed Earl Reefer, Trinidad, 137½, in six.

▶Belfast . . . Floyd (Klutei) Robertson, Ghana, 128½, made his British debut with a points win over Len Harvey, Cardiff, 130¼, in eight. George O'Neill, Belfast, 122½, and Billy Skelly, Belfast, 122½, were evenly matched in weight and ability, and after a splendid scrap, the referee declared it a draw.

Leo McCutcheon, Lisburn, 136, showed that a bout is never lost till the last gong is sounded. For three rounds he was outpunched and had taken six counts and on two occasions he just beat the fatal "ten". After his last trip to the canvas, he surprised Jim Hamilton, Belfast, with a piledriving right to the body in the fourth, in which the latter went down to be counted out . . . Bobby Griffen, Carrickfergus, 142, stopped Tommy Larmour, Belfast, 138, in the third.

▶Shoreditch . . . When Terry Gill, Southern Area Welterweight Champion was forced to cry off his bout with the hard hitting Ghana welterweight, Tommy Tagoe, 147, many top line fighters and their mentors declined the promoters' offers. Curly Carr, Manager of Albert Carroll who has already defeated Terry Gill, and is claiming a shot at The British Title, jumped at the idea of Carroll acting as a substitute, and thus proving his judgment was right. The Bethmal Green lad weighed 148¼, and gave a polished display of boxing to outbox Tagoe throughout the eight rounds.

Johnny Howard, Holloway, 125, had to fight hard all the way in his eight rounder against Ron Johnson, West Ham, 124, to gain a points decision. Dave Stone, Battersea, 136¾, Ex. Amateur Champion gained another inside the distance win when he stopped Colin Mannock, Manchester, 137, in the second. The refereee called a halt when he saw that the Manchester lad was outclassed.

Denis Cole, Camden Town, 127, won a hard earned points win over Terry Russell, Poplar, 129, in six. Maxie Beech, Chiswick, 159½, outpointed Fred Balio, Ghana, 156, in six. Terry Burke, Canning Town, 141, outpointed Mick Robins, Camberwell, 147, in six.

▶Glasgow . . . A crowd of 25,000, gathered at Cathkin Park, to witness the superb display of Peter Keenan, 119½, British & Empire Bantamweight Champion against Billy Peacock, Los Angeles, 119, during their ten rounds. Keenan was in rare form and did not put a foot wrong, winning every one of the rounds to the delight of the big crowd.

Charlie Hill, Cambuslang, 126, successfully defended his British Featherweight Title against Chic Brogan, Clydebank, 125¼, when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the eleventh, owing to a very badly cut eye. By virtue of his victory, Hill thus joins the small band of British Boxers to win The Lonsdale Challenge Belt outright. This honour entitles the winner to a pension from The British Boxing Board of Control, when he reaches the age of FIFTY, for ONE POUND A WEEK FOR LIFE.

Bobby Neill, Edinburgh, 127¾, "Boxing's Miracle Man" won his fourth comeback since his car crash, with a good win at the expense of Owen Reilly, Glasgow, 125½, the latter has been showing fine form in his bouts, but he was no match for the hard hitting Edinburgh battler who put his Scottish rival down for four counts before referee Jake Kilrain, former Welterweight champion, called a halt in the sixth . . . John "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 158, won the Scottish Middleweight Title when he outpointed Len Mullen, Glasgow, 160, over twelve rounds.

Alex Ambrose, Glasgow, 111¾, defeated George McDade, Glasgow, 111¾, on points by a narrow margin for the latter's Scottish Flyweight Title. Eric Brett, Retford, 119¾, stopped Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 119½, in the fifth, when the referee intervened after Rafferty had sustained a badly cut eye.

▶Many old timers will remember little Harry "Kid" Furness, one of the best known personalities in Northern Boxing. Harry passed on at the age of 78 at his home in Salford. He was owner of a Boxing Booth for the last forty years. May His Soul rest in peace.

▶PORTHCAWL . . . Sir Leslie Joseph, Promoter of Coney Beach Arena, will always remember his HOODOO-VOODOO Show, for when Cleveland Williams of Houston, Texas, had a dream on the day of his contest with Dick Richardson, Newport, he stated he would not take part in it, for in his dream "HE HAD RECEIVED A MESSAGE" that said he should not box. Boxing Board officials declared him fit, but could NOT cajole him into changing his mind.

A Trans World Airways plane brought the dusky Bob Baker to the scene of combat with a day to spare, and all were satisfied until a downpour marred the open air show. Richardson scaled 203 and Baker, 225 . . . In their previous contest when Baker won on points, Richardson after boxing well for five rounds, went all berzerk and tried to outslug the cagey Baker, only to receive a boxing lesson. In this bout, Richardson boxed with rare judgment, and amid the cheers of his compatriots he dealt out severe punishment to the surprise of all who had always thought that Richardson could not stand the pace. The Welshman scored with his hard lefts and rights to head and body. At the end of the tenth and final round, referee Jack Hart raised the hand of Richardson as the winner.

Phil Edwards, Cardiff, Welsh Middleweight Champion, 161, easily outpointed Jean Ruellet, France, 158, in ten. Len Reece, Cardiff, 114½, gained a points decision over Henri Schmid, France, 116, in eight. Ron "Ponty" Davies, Llanbradach, 114½, was too good for Dave Moore, Belfast, 114½, and referee Billy Jones, stopped the one sided bout in the third. Harry Carroll, Cardiff, 119, outclassed Levi John, Neath, 116½, and the bout was stopped in the second. Philip Jones, Cardiff, 123, treated the fans to a brilliant display in outpointing Coffie Menu, Ghana, 122½, in an interesting six. Allan Hands, Blackpool, 223, stopped Ken Gardner, Newport, 193, in the second.

▶WEST HARTLEPOOL . . . Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 128, beat promising Nottingham Brian Jones, 130½, on points at the end of eight interesting rounds. Referee Tommy Watson's decision was met with a storm of disapproval from the large crowd, and it was ironical that Jones was to have his unbeaten certificate in sixteen bouts marred by such a debatable decision. Two Nigerians, Ola Michael, 128, and Jackie Boyle, 133½, were matched over eight rounds, but only the gameness of Boyle enabled the bout to go into the fourth, when the referee called a halt. Michael looks like playing "Havoc" amongst the leading featherweights in these British Isles. Fatayi Paso, Nigeria, 163, knocked out Jimmy Teesdale, Middlesborough, 167½, in the second. Johnny Lewis, Nottingham, 119¾, making his professional debut, scored a good win by knocking out Billy Knight, North Shields, 116½, in the fourth. Jimmy Lawson, Middlesborough, 136, knocked out Johnny Kilburn, Leeds, 133½, in the fourth.

▶STREATHAM . . . Promoter Stan Baker must have been pleased with himself when he had to place the "Sold Out" sign outside The Ice Rink. A first class programme with a capacity crowd was headed by Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, 146¼, and Jimmy Newman, Walthamstow, 145¾, for the vacant British welter title. Molloy won the decision at the end of 15 rounds and thus keeps his unbeaten record of thirty-two bouts intact.

At the bell two very tired fighters who had fought themselves to a standstill hugged each other until referee Eugene Henderson pulled them apart and raised Tommy Molloy's hand high as The New Welterweight Champion of Great Britain.

BOBBY NEILL, Edinburgh, 127¾, established himself as the leading contender for Charlie Hill's British Title. The "Miracle Man" who many thought was through after his latest car crash, astounded the boxing world by making a come-back, and although winning his first three bouts in good style, there was still a little suspicion that all was not well with the brave Scot. In his contest with George Dormer, West Ham, 124, Bobby showed exceptional form in outclassing the hard hitting and forceful Dormer.

In the second round after Neill had found his distance, he punished Dormer with left hooks to the head and body, scoring a knock down with a peach of a left hook. Neill was in receipt of a cut eye in the second round which made him fight with determination.

In the fifth Dormer proved a game fighter to withstand the devastating punches of The Scot, who shot another of his left hooks to the unprotecting jaw of Dormer for a knockdown. On rising, the referee stopped the bout

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BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to August 21, 1958)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. George Chuvalo (C)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Dick Tiger (N)	Johnny van Rensburg (SA)
2. Brian London (E)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	George Barnes (A)
3. Joe Erskine (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Clive Stewart (A)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
4. Joe Bygraves (J)	Randy Turpin (E)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Gale Kerwin (C)
5. Dick Richardson (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Phil Edwards (W)	Tommy Molloy (E)
6. Henry Cooper (E)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Jimmy Newman (E)
7. Kitione Lave (To)	Ron Redrup (E)	Terry Downes (E)	Billy Todd (A)
8. Gawie de Klerk (SA)	Sammy Langford (N)	John McCormack (S)	Darby Brown (A)
9. Allan Williams (A)	Arthur Howard (E)	Freddie Cross (W)	Sandy Manuel (N)
10. Sifa Kivalu (To)	Al Sparks (C)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Albert Carroll (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dennis Adams (SA)
2. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Frank Jones (S)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Pete Kawala (C)	George Bowes (E)	Len Reece (W)
4. Lud. Lightburn (BH)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Terry Spinks (E)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
5. Ron Hinson (E)	Billy Neill (S)	Pat Supple (C)	John Caldwell (S)
6. Max Carlos (A)	Johnny Howard (E)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Warner Batchelor (A)
7. George Bracken (A)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Little Joe (G)
8. Billy Kelly (I)	Charley Hill (S)	Derry Treanor (S)	Ado Garuba (N)
9. Russell Sands (A)	Ola Michael (N)	Eric Brett (E)	Lloyd Gordon (C)
10. Johnny Linda (SA)	Dick White (A)	Graham v. d. Walt (SA)	Alex Ambrose (S)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

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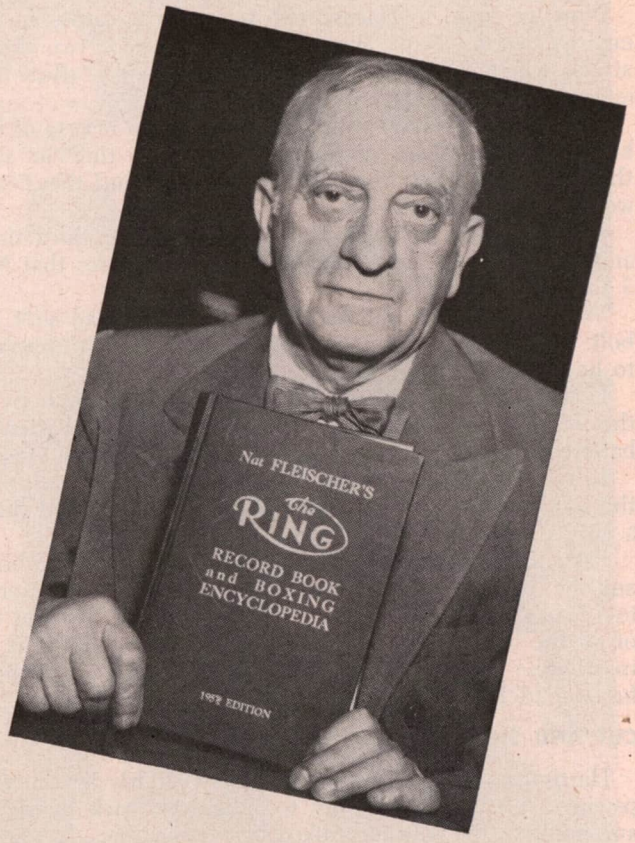

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Now we come to Harris's two trips to the canvas in the eighth round. The champion unleashed a two fisted attack which made Roy bleed all the more. But Roy refused to hold or retreat.

Floyd felled his man with a combination in reverse of the knockdown producers of the seventh. This time he sent the right to the jaw first and then hooked, and the Texan went down for seven.

Patterson soon knocked Harris down for the third time, and then came the bell. Roy took only three for that No. 3 trip to the deck.

When they came out for the ninth, Harris had shot his bolt. His left had lost its sting. His chances now appeared to be almost nil.

Left hooks, right crosses, left uppercuts, right wallops to the head and body, a devastating pattern as Patterson battered his challenger toward the twelfth round quietus.

In the tenth, Harris began to bleed hard from a gash over the left eyebrow. By this time the Texan presented quite a gory picture.

Patterson uppercut him, he spun him around, he clubbed and he clouted him. Harris's comparative inexperience told harshly on him. And now the champion had got rid of all the uncertainty which had been fastened on him by inactivity. Now Patterson knew he had his man where he wanted him, beaten.

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Harris came out for the eleventh with his left merely pawing. On he came, only to be driven back by rights and hooks as the panther stalked his victim.

Beaten and spent though he was, Harris soon rammed home two good uppercuts. It was Cut and Shoot's swan song. Just before the bell, Harris took a hard right to the jaw, and almost was finished by a hook.

Now came the twelfth round. Patterson shot in three jabs. He crossed with his right, and Harris began to bleed harder from his cut left eye.

The title holder then smashed home a right, and Harris reeled to the ropes, then hit the floor of the ring. He was up at nine.

The fight really was over then and there.

Patterson hit him with two hard lefts. Harris was covered with his gore. Floyd drove home hard punches to the body and kept cutting Roy's face and head.

Floyd was trying desperately to end it, but he missed a couple for the head, as the bell rang.

Harris's handler worked feverishly over the challenger, but the end had come. They summoned Referee Callahan. He called the doctor. The fight had gone thirty-six minutes. It would go no farther. Floyd Patterson, heavyweight champion of the world, had knocked out Roy Harris, of Cut and Shoot, Texas, in twelve rounds.

The crowd was generous in acclaiming the victorious champion. But it also paid high tribute to the 25 year old from Texas, who had tried hard and fought gamely, but had not had enough experience, enough knowhow, enough defensive skill, and schooling in the uses of the right hand. The crowd gave Harris a roaring accolade.

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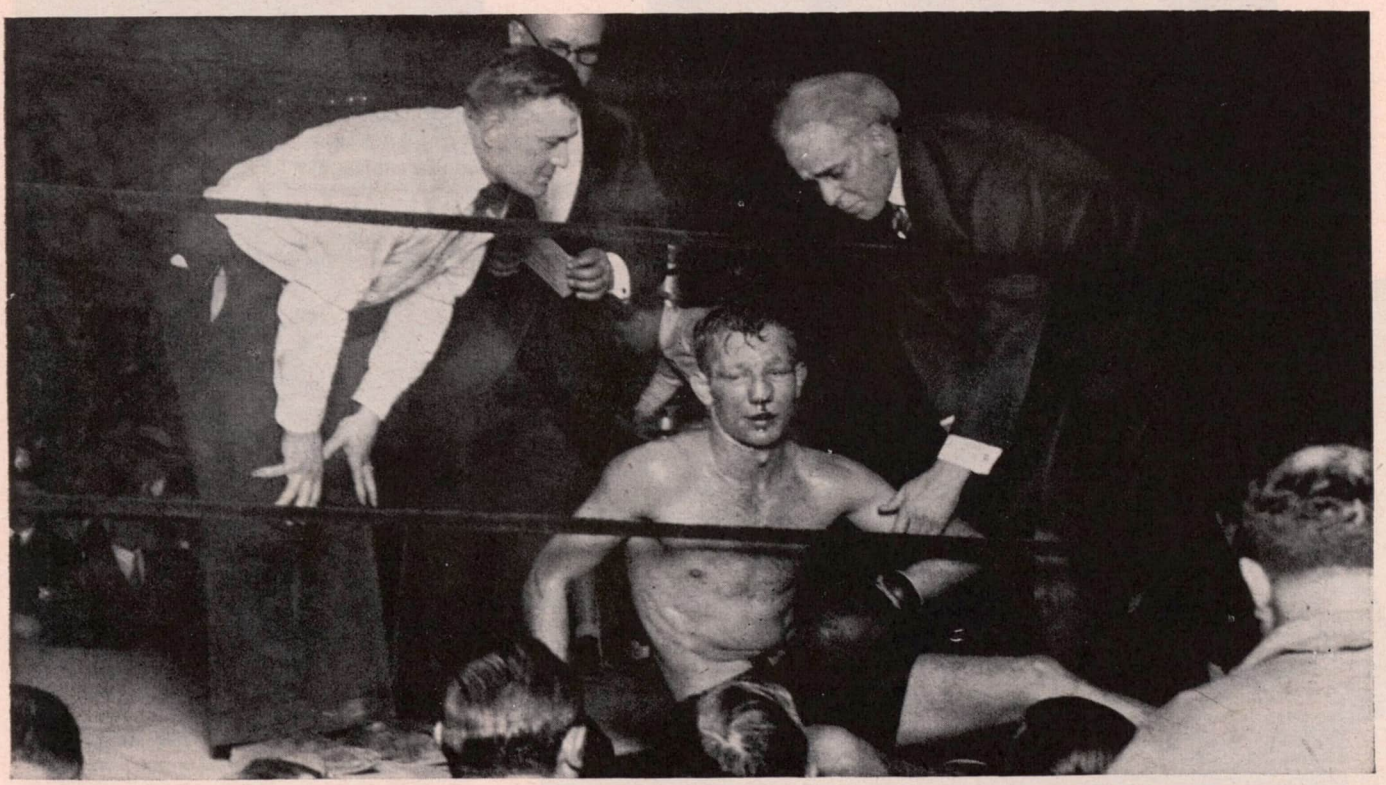
FAMOUS FIGHTS RECALLED

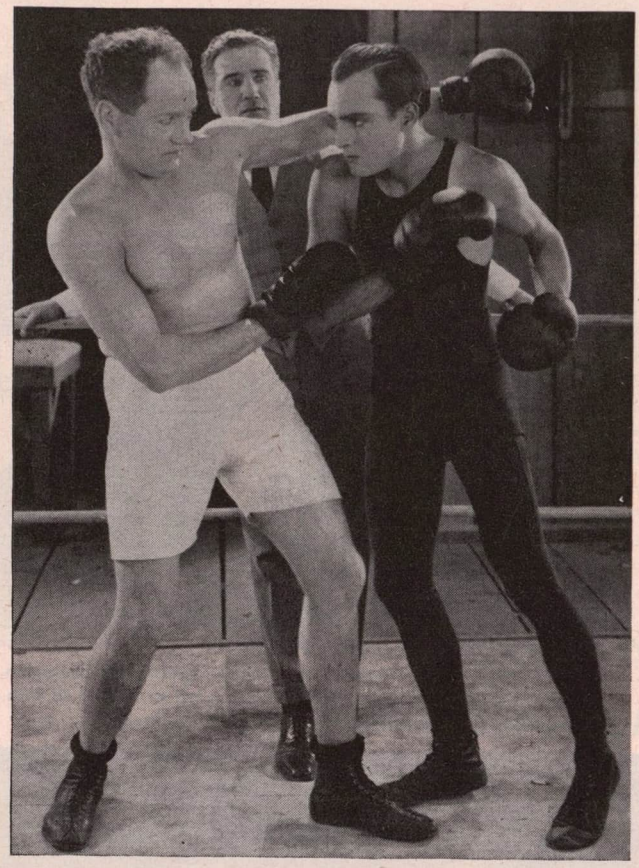
For Whom The Bell Toles. Roscoe Toles (left) drops Lee Q. Murray for a seven count as the two fading veterans met in heavyweight ten won by Toles in Detroit in 1949.

I'm Your Pal, Al. Lou Ambers (left), world lightweight champion, knew no pals once he got in ring. Here he stabs a left to face of Al Roth during ten rounder at St. Nicholas Arena in 1937. Ambers won every round.



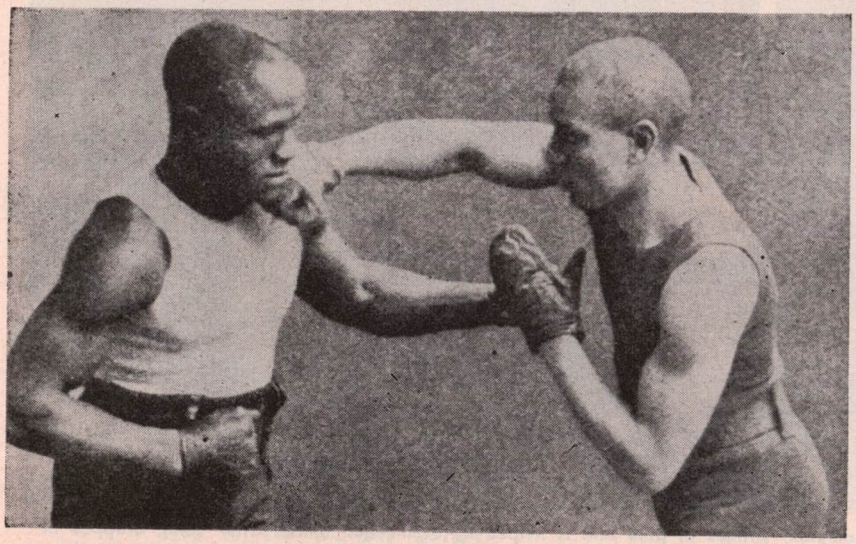
Taylor-Unmade. Bud Taylor, world bantamweight champion, writhes in pain and is helped by commission official after being dropped in seventh round during non-title bout with Joey Sangor at Chicago Coliseum in 1928. The blow was low and Taylor claimed a foul. Two judges split their decisions, but the referee decided the blow was fair. A physician testified that Taylor had been hurt, he was given five minutes to rest but then was unable to continue.

Old Timer's Album



Kid McCoy, erstwhile welterweight and middleweight champion and one of the ring's all-time greats, did a boxing "bit" with George O'Hara in a motion picture called "When Gale Meets Hurricane."

One of boxing's most noted globe-trotters, Jeff Smith, the Bayone, N. J., middleweight, took time out during World War I to serve as an Army athletic instructor at Camp (now Fort) Dix, N. J.



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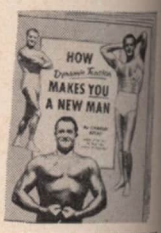

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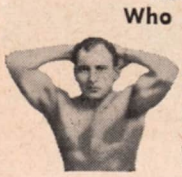

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